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## FIRE PREVENTION FUN



Photos by Dan Sanderson

Kindergarten through second grade students at the AuSable Primary School went through the smoke house last week as the Grayling City/Township Fire Department marked fire prevention week with its annual community education program. (Right) Rachael Walsh and Joseph Stocker go through the smoke house. (Left) Grayling Firefighter Steve Eddy helps Reece Ferrigan down the steps of the fire department's ladder truck as students got a close up look of the vehicle.

## Trick or Treating hours set in city

Goblins and Ghouls, Sponge Bobs and Dora The Explorers will take to the streets for trick or treating fun on Monday.

Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner has recommended that trick or treating take place in Grayling from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday.

Here are some safety tips to help keep Halloween safe for trick-or-treaters:

A well-lighted and clear path to your door is important if you're passing out treats. Leaving your porch light on will let children know they are welcome.

Review important safety rules with children before they go out trick-or-treating.

Make sure your children trick-or-treat with an adult.

Inspect all treats before your children eat them and discard anything that is unwrapped.

Check candy wrappers for signs of tampering. Wash and cut all fruit. Call the police about anything suspicious.

Make sure costumes fit well and that your children can see and be seen after dark.

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## Officials work to finalize site for animal shelter

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Heading into initial meetings with U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) officials, Crawford County leaders are seeking to pinpoint the exact location for a new animal shelter.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County and Crawford County Commissioners were scheduled to hold a meeting with USDA officials on Tuesday to discuss a \$350,000 grant and loan the county has applied for on behalf of the shelter.

Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Crawford County Commissioners have designated land at Crawford County Fairgrounds for the new shelter.

Sharon Priebe, the president of the Animal Shelter of Crawford County Board, reiterated last week that shelter officials were seeking to have the shelter located on property near Old 27 and M-93 so the shelter would be visible to the public and it would require less cost to

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## DINNER TO BENEFIT MILITARY FAMILY WHO LOST HOME

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

The men and women at the Grayling American Legion Post #106 are mobilizing to help the family of a Grayling National Guard soldier serving in Iraq whose house was destroyed by a fire last month.

A spaghetti dinner will be held from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 2 at the American Legion to benefit Lisa and George Masella, whose home, located at 404 Ionia St., was destroyed by an accidental fire on Sept. 30.

Lisa and the couple's three children, Domanik, 3, Kaelee, 2, and 2-month-old Antonio, were able to escape the blaze.

George Masella, a mechanic for the 1071st Maintenance Company which is currently serving in Iraq, was granted a 12-day leave so he could comfort his family after the fire.

"It was hard for him to go through the house to see what was salvageable, but the most important part is we got out all right and the rest of the stuff can be replaced," Lisa said.

The Grayling American Legion and Legion Auxiliary are joining forces to raise funds for the family. The cost for the

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Lisa and George Masella's home, located at 404 Ionia St., was destroyed by an accidental fire on Sept. 30. Pictured above is the couple in a family portrait with their children Domanik, 3, Kaelee, 2, and Antonio, two months. The portrait was taken while George was home on leave just after Antonio was born.

## Vikings to host football playoff game on Friday

by Caleb Casey  
Senior Staff Writer

With a 47-0 victory last Friday at East Jordan, Grayling High School's varsity football team earned its third consecutive playoff appearance and will host a postseason contest for the second year in a row.

On Friday, October 28, Grayling (6-3) will host Alma (5-3) at 7 p.m. in round one of the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) football playoffs. The playoffs include eight divisions with 32 teams in each division. GHS is in Division 4, Region 1, District 1.

Pre-sale tickets for Friday night's game at Viking Stadium are now on sale at the GHS main office for \$5 apiece. Season passes for Viking games are not valid for MHSAA playoff games - tickets are required for entry. Gates open at 6 p.m.

Grayling opened its 2005 season with a 26-7 victory over Roscommon. The Vikings lost their second game 24-12 at

Houghton Lake. Grayling won its next three games - 51-0 vs. Elk Rapids, 54-0 over Harbor Springs, and 31-28 at Kalkaska - to improve its season record to 4-1.

GHS lost to the Traverse City St. Francis Gladiators 21-0 at TC and fell to 4-3 with a 35-19 loss at home vs. Boyne City.

Grayling won its final two games - 41-11 vs. Charlevoix two weeks ago and 47-0 at East Jordan last Friday - to finish at 6-3 with a guaranteed playoff berth.

Five of Grayling's nine opponents this year also qualified for the 2005 postseason - Roscommon (7-2), Houghton Lake (8-1), Traverse City St. Francis (8-1), Charlevoix (6-3), and Boyne City (8-1).

"We ended up with a 6-3 record, losing to three 8-1 teams on the season. We feel as a (coaching) staff that those games have prepared us very well for

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## Fall Back

Daylight Saving Time  
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Remember to set  
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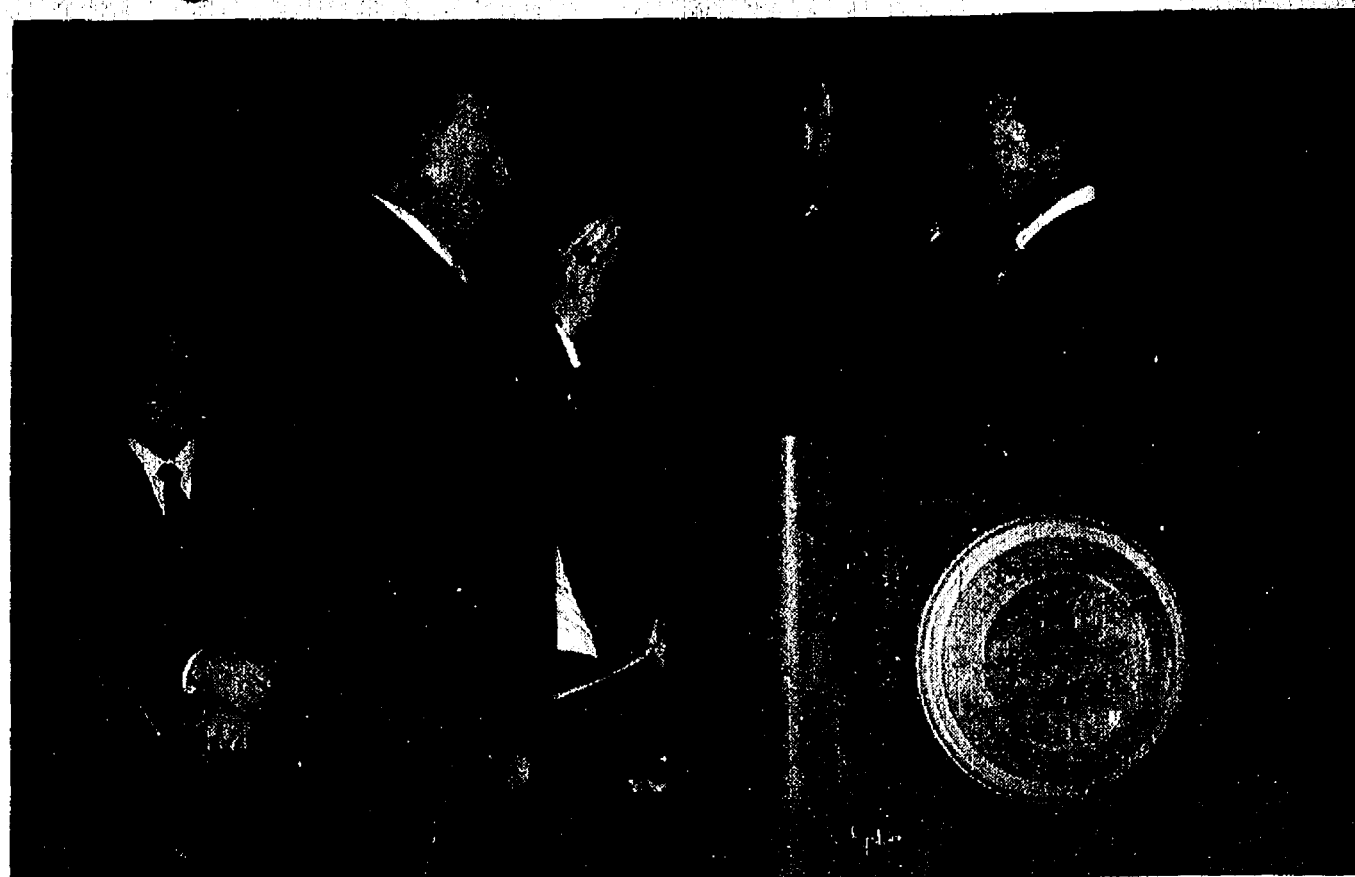
Carry a flashlight.

Encourage children to stay on sidewalks and to walk only on well-lit streets.

Know which friends your children will be with and which route they plan to take.

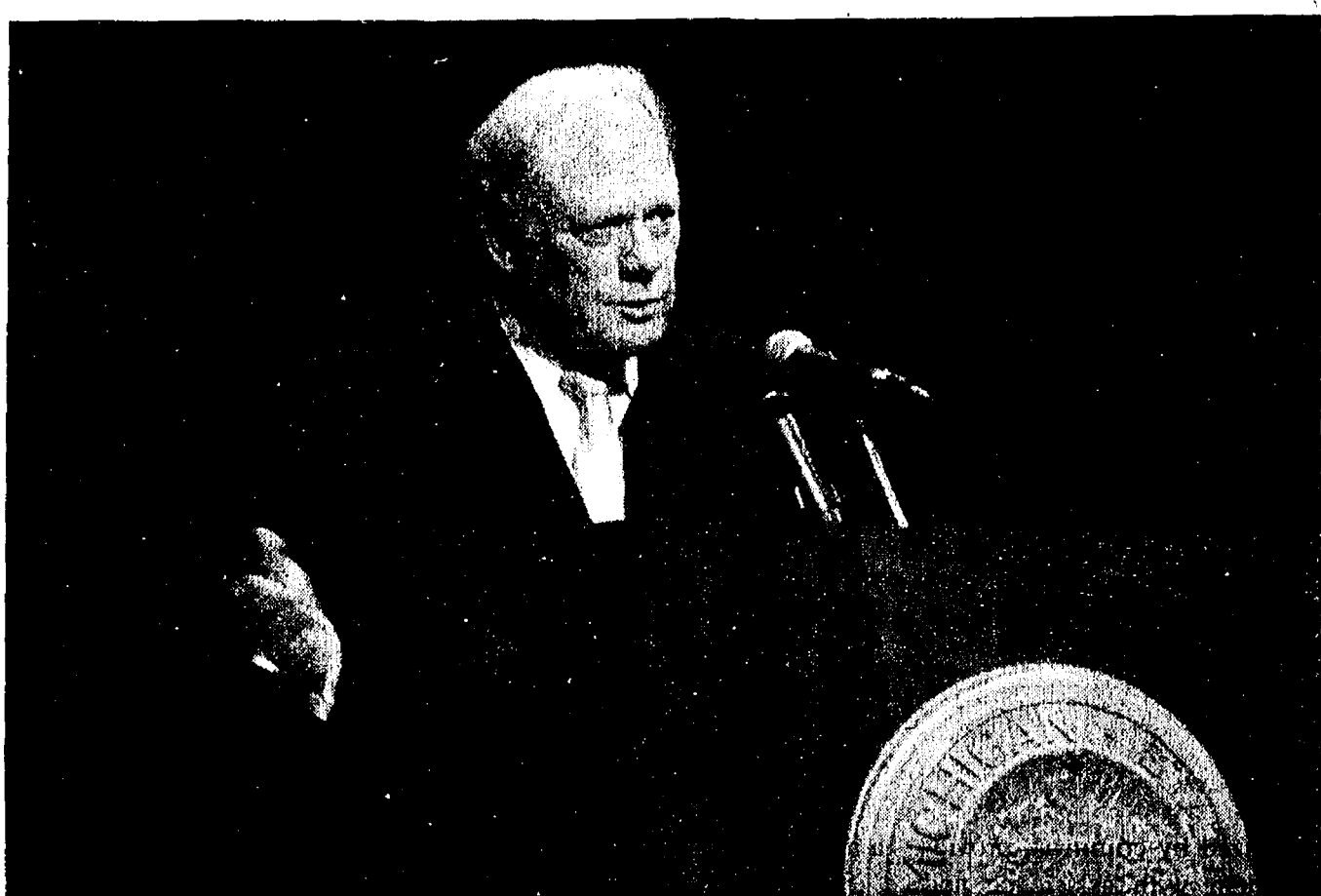
Drivers should use caution in residential areas and should turn on their headlights. Trick-or-treaters can become distracted and fail to look both ways before crossing the street.

## Judge Davis takes oath of office



Photos courtesy of Fannie Finn's

The Investiture Ceremony for Judge Alton T. Davis of Grayling as Judge of the Michigan Court of Appeals was held in Lansing on Thursday, Oct. 20, when he officially took the oath of office. Above, Michigan Supreme Court Justice Michael F. Cavanagh performs the administration of the oath of office for Davis. Below, Davis, who served as circuit judge for the 46th Circuit Trial Court for 21 years, addresses the audience at the ceremony. Gov. Jennifer Granholm, former Michigan Supreme Court Justice and Mayor of Detroit Dennis Archer, Ret. Col David Lee Waldron, United States Air Force and Linda Miller, president of the Michigan Trial Lawyers Association were guest speakers at the ceremony.



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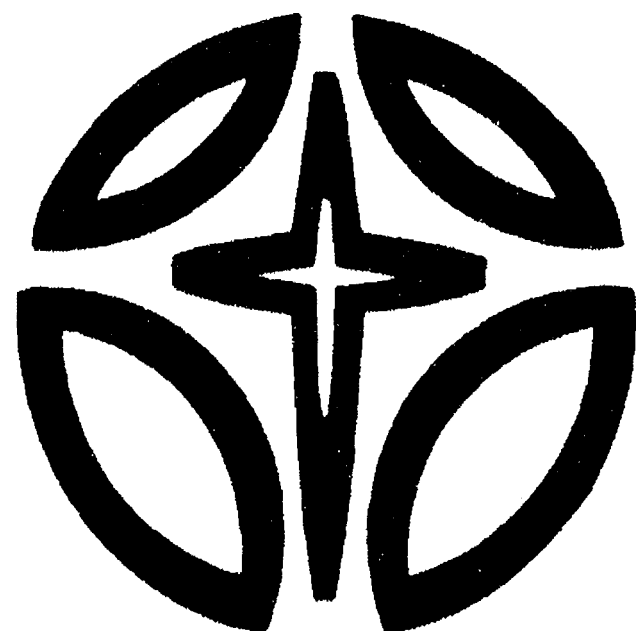
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## Hoffman loved Grayling community

A Grayling eye doctor known as a family man, sportsman and as an all around good guy will be honored by friends and family on Saturday.

Dr. Ralph Hoffman, who served as an optometrist for nearly 40 years in Grayling, died on Thursday, Oct. 20 after a battle with cancer. He was 80.

Hoffman was born in Saginaw on July 13, 1925, to Michael and Abbie (Burlison) Hoffman. His father was a farmer, and Ralph always liked to feel the earth between his fingers.

Hoffman graduated from Arthur Hill High School in Saginaw in 1942 when he was 16-years-old. Later, he joined the Army Air Corps and served until the end of World War II. After a stint as a brakeman on the railroad, Hoffman attended Northern Illinois College of Optometry in Chicago and received a degree in Optometry in 1951.

In 1953, Hoffman moved to Grayling and opened an office at 216 Michigan Avenue. Later, he had an office in Roscommon as well as an office attached to his home at 502 Ionia St. Finally, in 1959, Hoffman had an office built at 904 Michigan Avenue, where he practiced until he retired in 1989.

Dr. William Dean purchased

Hoffman's practice and said he inspired him to pursue a career as an eye doctor.

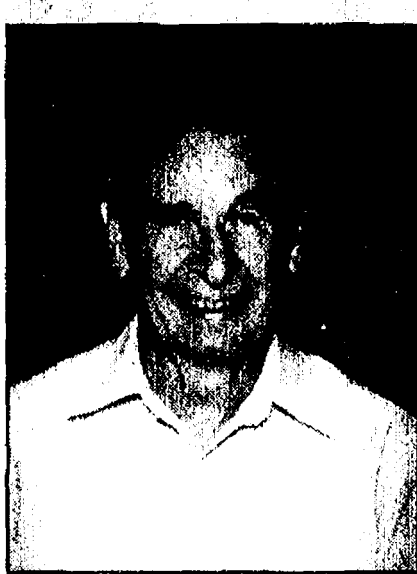
"He was always a mentor for me and he's a real pillar of the community," Dean said.

Along with running his business, Hoffman threw himself into the affairs of the community, tirelessly promoting the Grayling area and its activities. In 1955, he started the Grayling Chamber of Commerce and was the first president of the organization. He also represented Grayling on the AuSable Canoe Marathon Committee during its struggling early years.

Hoffman spearheaded the effort to help build a new American Legion Hall, and upon its completion, a parade and community dinner were held to celebrate the dedication. He served as Post Commander of the Legion and always had special feelings for those who served our country in the armed services.

In 1960, Hoffman was a leader in the purchase of the Grayling Country Club and the sale of 60 stockholder shares to the public, revitalizing the course and ensuring its continued operation.

"He always spoke to you, shook hands with you and he was just an all around nice guy," said Irv McIssac, who knew Hoffman



Dr. Ralph Hoffman

through the country club.

Hoffman was on the Grayling City Council and served as mayor in 1962. He was actively involved in many civic organizations including Kiwanis, Elks, Moose, Lions and the Grayling Youth Booster Club. He made Grayling his home and the people of Grayling his family.

"He was the best neighbor I ever had," said Larry McNamara. "We all had a bunch of kids, and Nancy and Ralph would feed them if they were playing in their yard, and me and my wife would feed them if they played in our yard."

Hoffman enjoyed golfing, ice fishing, bowling and talking politics. He never had any hard feelings after discussion, and loved

to be with people and could hold company for hours.

"He was a very likeable guy," said Tom St. Germain, a friend and golfing partner of Hoffman's. "He had friends all over the place and was very easy to get along with."

Hoffman was preceded in death by his mother and father, sister Ella, and brothers Doc and Art. He is survived by his wife of more than 50 years, Nancy (Cox); sons, Mike (Sharon) of Grand Blanc, and John (Marianne) of Portage; daughters, Bridget (Rif) Hutton of Los Angeles, CA. Maureen of Lansing, Rosemary (Curt) Karbun of White Lake, and Barbara (John) Whittaker of Dimondale and 11 grandchildren.

The family will receive friends at the Sorenson Lockwood Funeral Home from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 28. Hoffman requested that no flowers be sent. A mass for Ralph will be celebrated at St. Mary's Church at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29. Afterwards, a short memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, followed by a big party. All of Hoffman's friends are invited to come sing, laugh and have a drink on Ralph one last time.

## New victim rights advocate takes helm

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A woman with several years of experience in the community mental health field is taking the reins of the Crawford County Prosecutor Victim Rights Advocate's office.

Maureen Covault started as the county's new Victim Rights Advocate on Monday, Oct. 17.

The Victim Rights Advocate assists people after they've been victimized by criminals, providing them with assistance and resources after the crime and through all court proceedings. The position is funded through the state and is paid for by fees assessed by judges during court sentencing proceedings.

Covault previously worked 16 years as a therapist and administrator for the Clinton-Eaton-Ingham Community Mental Health Agency.

Covault and her husband, James Covault, a regional admin-

istrator for the State Court Administrative Office, moved to Grayling three years ago.

"I'm a people person. I love this community and look forward to helping people out when they are involved with the court system," Covault said.

Covault is taking the position of Sharon Huss, the wife of Prosecutor John Huss, who is retiring after serving as the victim rights advocate for five and a half years.

Sharon Huss gained statewide recognition in the office, training victim advocates for other counties and taking part as a speaker in annual conferences for victim rights advocates.

She will continue working with victim rights advocates in other areas of the state through the Michigan Prosecuting Attorney's Coordinating Council.

"I've loved every minute of this job," Sharon said. "It's a real



Photo by Dan Sanderson

Maureen Covault started as Crawford County's new victim rights advocate on Monday, Oct. 17.

challenging position because you're there to help people get through the court process without getting re-victimized."

John Huss recently told county commissioners that he also plans to retire from his office with the county by May.

## Vandals slash dozens of tires

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Grayling City Police are investigating a vandalism spree which occurred last weekend, resulting in the tires on dozens of vehicles being damaged causing several thousand dollars in damage.

Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner said tires on well over 50 vehicles were slashed between late Friday, Oct. 21 and Saturday, Oct. 22.

Tires on over 40 cars at the Scott McNamara Ford Dealership were slashed. In addition, the paint on a state police cruiser parked at the dealership for service was scratched, antennas were broken, tires were slashed and signs were broken.

Tires at the NAPA Store and Michigan State Police Crime lab were also slashed.

Finally, tires on vehicles at the Huron Pines Resources and Conservation District, and tires

on trailers for boats for sale on James Street near the former Reliable Supply building were also damaged.

Schreiner said the damage is estimated to be between \$30,000 and \$35,000.

Police are following up on some firm leads, but anyone with information about the vandalism spree is encouraged to call the Grayling City Police Department at 348-4621.

## Officials work to finalize site for animal shelter

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maintain the facility. Priebe recommended removing the horse arena on the fairgrounds site, which is in poor shape and would give more room to relocate ball fields for the community.

"If you're going to have it as one big athletic area, by all means, get to it," Priebe said. "The more coordinated it is, the better it is for the community and the better it looks."

County officials were scheduled to meet with Blake Smith, community program specialist for the USDA office in Traverse City, to discuss the grant and loan application.

"They're cracking down on that funding right now," Priebe

said.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County, Inc., a non-profit agency, has operated the shelter since 1991 when the county decided it could no longer run the shelter due the budget woes.

The shelter's lease with the Crawford County Road Commission expires in December, 2006 and the shelter facilities are in dire need of repair.

"By the end of July next year, we need to have firm plans in place," Priebe said.

Priebe said she envisions having a 40 by 80 foot shelter building with doors that open to adjacent dog runs.

Last week, Crawford County

Controller Paul Compo said he received a deed from the DNR which combined the five acres of land with the fairgrounds property and mandates that the land be used for public purposes.

"That's one more piece of the puzzle that we need to move forward," Compo said.

County and Shelter officials were also expected to meet with Grayling Township Supervisor Terry Wright and Building Inspector Bob Dixon to determine how far the shelter would have to be located off the road-way.

Dave Stephenson, chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, asked shelter officials to have plan's finalized for the facility by next month.

## Vikings to host football playoff game on Friday

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our first round matchup," Coach Ben Brock said. "To host a playoff game two years in a row is a great accomplishment for this

school and community. It should be a good time."

It is Grayling's third consecutive postseason appearance for football. In 2003, the Vikings fin-

ished the regular season at 7-2 and last year Grayling posted an 8-1 record in regular season contests. GHS hosted its playoff game in 2004.

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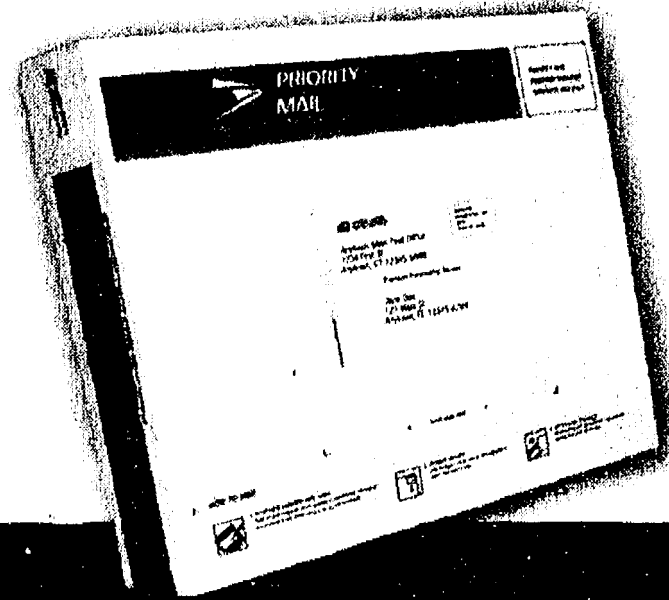
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## ALMANACK

by Richard L. Milliman

### Crisis in auto industry is drawing attention

EVERYONE IN MICHIGAN understands that the automobile manufacturing industry, still centered in Michigan, is undergoing hard times.

Much of the focus in state government for several years has been on retaining what jobs we have in Michigan and creating more jobs. This year's state legislative session, for example, centers on jobs and the economy.

But the crisis point in the auto industry may be at hand. Where do we turn for lasting solutions?

The federal government in Washington is the logical place from which help and guidance may be delivered, and that's where a couple of recent appeals are aimed.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm's recent letter to the 15 members of Michigan's congressional delegation expressed her "sense of urgency about the need for federal involvement with the serious problems confronting" the domestic auto industry and its suppliers. She asked for Michigan members of the House and

Senate to help carry the ball in Washington and to get the White House to pay attention.

Sen. Hillary Clinton of New York has jumped on the save-the-autos bandwagon, asking President George Bush to convene a "National Auto Manufacturers Summit."

Her letter to the White House suggested that "a summit where everything can be put on the table, including legacy costs like health care and pensions, fuel efficiency, foreign competition and trade, could yield beneficial results and solutions for our auto industry."

GOV. GRANHOLM and Sen. Clinton, both Democrats, may have a tussle gaining meaningful action from the White House, run by Republicans, and the Congress, also under Republican control.

Sad to say, but sometimes in Washington, partisanship outweighs merit.

Gov. Granholm and Sen. Clinton both

are right in their basic assumptions, however, that it's time for the federal government to step into the auto manufacturing crisis.

There's plenty of blame to go around for events and actions over the past many years which ultimately have produced today's dilemmas, and some of them stem from Washington policies and requirements.

Jiggling state business tax systems and granting tax abatements can go only so far in preserving and creating jobs.

Perhaps the problems that beset auto making in the United States are terminal, but it's past time to take an over-arching national view of our domestic auto business, how it should fit into the ever-developing world economy, how it can continue as a bulwark of the American domestic economy .... if it can .... and what the federal government should do about it .... if anything.

Sen. Clinton has a legitimate concern in this area. Auto supplier plants of bankruptcy-threatened Delphi

Corporation employ thousands of endangered workers in New York. Auto production plants are located in several states, and auto suppliers in even more. The overall crisis is national, and the concern should be, too.

But in Michigan -- long the heart of the auto industry -- the emergency is critical.

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CLINTON BEATS RICE -- Recent public opinion polling in New York shows that Sen. Hillary Clinton would defeat Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice if they ran against each other for president right now.

A poll by Marist College's Institute for Public Opinion and a New York City TV station shows Ms. Clinton leading Ms. Rice 50-41 percent.

That's not surprising. Although Ms. Clinton has not yet declared her candidacy, she still must be considered a probable Democratic candidate in 2008. Most folks do. She has been very active in national politics for the last 16 years.

Ms. Rice, a Republican, on the other

hand, has openly declared she is not a candidate and will not become one. Her public role has much less tenure and her activities have been limited to international affairs, not national politics.

When pitted against a couple of other potential Republican candidates, however, Sen. Clinton did not fare nearly as well.

Tested against Republican Sen. John McCain of Arizona, the poll showed Mr. McCain led Ms. Clinton 50-41, and, against former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, Ms. Clinton trailed Mr. Giuliani 50-43.

Of course, a poll is a poll, and is, meaningless the day after it's taken, except as an indication of how a limited number of people feel at a particular moment.

# # #

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist, to several Michigan newspapers.

## EDITOR

### Skateboarders need a place to enjoy their sport

To the editor,

I am writing this in response to the skateboarding complaint by Trey Townsend. Let me start by saying well said Trey. You are to be commended for standing up for what you believe. I feel you stated your issues without being rude or judgmental. I agree that the skateboarders in our community need some place where they can enjoy their sport.

Yes folks, it is a sport, as well as a form of recreation to these kids, maybe not in the same class as the football team, or the wrestling team, or even little league, but a sport nonetheless. These kids are just wanting to enjoy being kids, and skateboarding is not any more dangerous than hockey or even skiing.

If what you say is true, Trey, that you have been told that you cannot skate here or there because of liability etc, then shame on you, the property owners. Yes, if they are allowed to skate down the sidewalks of Michigan Avenue during busy times when there could be a collision, not because anyone meant it to happen, but just because

accidents do happen. Would it always be the skater's fault? I think not.

Accidents happen all the time, they are no one's fault, that is why they are called accidents. If you told these kids this because they have abused your property in some way, or are interfering in the day to day conducting of business, then those issues should be addressed, but if said simply as an "out" because you don't want them on your property, well, yes you have that right, as does any property owner, but at least be honest with them.

These kids are by no means dumb, and if treated with a little respect by people, the majority of them will even accept your decision without an attitude. How do I know this? Well, because I happen to know a few of the kids who are skateboarders, and even my granddaughter enjoys it from time to time.

I have lived here for quite a few years now, and sadly have seen this town provide less and less for our youth to do. Yes, there are sports and other

"groups" they can belong to, but whatever happened to being allowed to be an individual, and what about those parents in this present time who are doing all that they can to provide a roof over their family's head without the added expense of extra-curricular activities.

Have we all forgotten the things we did as kids? Not all of our endeavors were favored by our parents; or even worse, our peers for that matter. What has happened to our sense of individuality, our sense of adventure? These kids just want a place and a chance to be able to do something they enjoy. Is that so wrong? I have been told that the mayor has given these kids a spot out by the new City Hall to use for skateboarding, all they have to do is get it up and running.

Now come on folks, if this is true, can we not somehow come up with a way for this to become a reality. These kids cannot do it alone. We are in a time where there are so many terrible things going on in the world, both close to home and afar. We open our hearts and our wallets generously, is it not time for us to open those same hearts and wallets to help our own community youth? Must we keep hoping these kids will be out of sight, out of mind?

Would it show these kids, as well as others that we all stand tall in support of, and care about all of the youth in our community; not just the jocks and scholars and organized groups, but also for the average kid trying to enjoy being a kid.

I don't know what it would take to get this skateboarding area up and going, but I am willing to help in any way I can. If there are other parents, or just human beings out there who would also like to help make this a reality, please write me at P.O. Box 435, Grayling, MI 49738. I am sure I will get negative mail, but it will be well worth any negative feedback if something positive can become of this if the end.

I am willing to go door to door, whatever it takes. I am also willing to meet with the county officials to discuss the requirements etc., for this project to happen. So if you care to write, please do.

Even if you just want to give me your opinion, good or bad, at least I will know there are some people out there not just sitting back with their heads in the sand thinking, "if the problem is ignored it will go away."

Mary Garcia  
Grayling

### The south business loop is starting to look better

To the editor:

One of the northern papers gives "cheers" to good things that are happening around the area and I would like to give a big "bouquet" to the people on the business loop who have just replaced their parking lot with new blacktop, but have added a large area of "green" where the water can drain away and be filtered before reaching the river. It's only a beginning, but by spring it should make a big difference.

The south loop is starting to look better as the grass is growing and other bushes and trees begin to show. It is really a great addition to the city's appearance, thanks to some local people who have worked hard to improve our image.

There have been too many negative comments about Grayling these days from people. The whole town needs to be more upbeat.

Fay Bovee  
Grayling

### Let's hope Grayling can enjoy more steam train weekends

To the editor,

The Crawford County Historical Society and all the people who got involved made last weekend's "Steam Railroad" a perfect event for Grayling.

There was such a wonderful family gathering and fellowship among the crowd.

When the train came into

town, a roar of excitement could be heard for miles. The train ride to Waters, also, was great fun with people lined up on both sides of the tracks with cameras.

Let's hope Grayling can enjoy many more weekends like this one, and keep this a yearly event.

Mary Robinson  
Grayling

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words.

Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published. All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

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Community Briefs items submitted to *The Avalanche* must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2 x 11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced.

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The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.



# COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

## Church to sponsor Trunk or Treat

The Grayling Free Methodist Church, 6352- M-72, will sponsor a Trunk or Treat on Halloween, Monday, Oct. 31 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

## Neighborhood to hold watch meeting

The Sherwood Forest neighborhood watch meeting will be Nov. 1, 7 p.m. at the Township Hall. Sheriff Wakefield will be in attendance.

## Garden Club to hold meeting

Beyond the Garden Wall Garden Club will meet at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church at 7 p.m. on Nov. 3. Guest speaker will be Russ Kidd, County Extension Director for Roscommon County. The topic will be soil sampling and pinecone feeders will be the craft project following the speaker. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Halloween party to benefit animals to be held

A Halloween party to benefit the Animal Shelter of Crawford County will be held Saturday, Oct. 29 at 8 p.m. at the Gray Rock Cafe on Industrial Drive. Come in costume as an animal, the cost to participate is a \$25 donation at the door; includes meal voucher and prize drawings. The Gray Rock Cafe will be open for regular business as well. For more information call Cheryl at 348-1429 after 6 p.m.

## Coats for kids are being collected

The Crawford County Community Christian Help Center is collecting coats for kids. Coats must be clean, mended and washable, all sizes are needed. Please call the Help Center at 348-6046, for more information, ask for Gerry or Marianne, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. on M-W-F.

## Kid's fall festival to be held

The 2nd Annual Kid's Fall Festival, Monday, Oct. 31 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church, 905 N. I-75 Business Loop, (just south of the high school) Grayling. Free to all. The Spiderman Bouncer is back again this year for all kids to enjoy. Games, toys, prizes, cotton candy, popcorn, hotdog's, donuts, drinks, and lots more.

## Haunted Hayride to be held

Wellington Farm Park's Haunted Hayride will be held on Saturday, Oct. 29 and Sunday, Oct. 30. Wagons leave from the market every 20 minutes, starting at 6 p.m., last ride leaves at 9 p.m. \$3 per person, age 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult (no charge for this adult). Wellington Farm Park is located on Military Rd., less than 1 mile south of 4 Mile Rd.

## Help Center needs help replenishing shelves

The Crawford County Community Christian Help Center needs help replenishing their pantry shelves, some of the items they need are: juice, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, cold meat, canned meat, Jell-O, pudding, tuna and hamburger helper, tuna fish, flour, sugar, hot chocolate, laundry soap, dish soap, canned fruit, soup, mac and cheese, syrup, cereal and bar soap.

## Church to host luncheon

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church on Michigan Avenue in Grayling, will host a lunch on Thursday, Nov. 3 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The menu includes a hot casserole, a selection of cold foods, make your own sandwich and a salad. Dessert and coffee are included. Take-outs are available. Cost is \$5 per person.

## Sheriff's office closed for training

The administration portion of the Crawford County Sheriff's Office will be closed, Thursday, Oct. 27, for staff training.

## Event for child care providers to be held

The Department of Human Services of Crawford County would like to invite all licensed child care providers and child care children to come "trick or treating" at the Crawford County Department of Human Services on Oct. 31 at 10 a.m. Cider and donuts will also be provided. If you plan to attend, contact Nancie Kersey at 989-731-3140 or 989-344-5144 before Oct. 28.

## Kirtland to host China expert as part of Global Awareness series

Kirtland Community College is pleased to announce that Dr. Thomas Kostrzewa, an expert on China and its economy and a faculty member from Western Michigan University, will be presenting "Xinjiang and Tibet: The Crucial Role and Cultural Survival of Western Minorities in China" at Kirtland's campus on Wednesday, Nov. 9, at noon, Room 123 of the Instructional Center. The public is invited.

His Nov. 9 presentation is a follow-up to a lecture from last April entitled "China: An Emerging Super Power," and is part of a series of programs being scheduled among several Michigan community colleges which are part of the Michigan Global Awareness Consortium (MGAC). The theme of MGAC this year is the impact of globalization on indigenous societies.

Kostrzewa received his Ph.D. from the University of Notre Dame in international relations and has been on the faculty of Western Michigan University since 1987. He was one of the first Americans to work in China and has been a frequent visitor since 1978.

His research interests in China have evolved from free market transition policies in agriculture, to China's export of arms, to the current study of Chinese minority policy in Tibet and Xinjiang. Kostrzewa has been visiting and conducting research in China's Far West since 1994.

Prior to becoming an academician with a focus on China, Kostrzewa was a syndicated columnist who visited 83 countries writing on the lives of working people in a period of rapid globalization. He has also written stories from two war zones; Nicaragua in 1978 and Uganda in 1979.

China's remarkably rapid development and its impact on the global marketplace have provided Kostrzewa with a new role as public lecturer and discussant on China as an emerging superpower.

For more information on the upcoming presentation, or the Global Awareness program series, call Sinan Toprak, Kirtland instructor of political science, at 989-275-5000, ext. 265, or send e-mail to topraks@kirtland.edu.

# Mercy Hospital Grayling prepares for the flu season

In conjunction with the Public Health Department, Mercy Hospital Grayling will follow the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines for the distribution of flu vaccine this fall.

The CDC recommends that the vaccine be given to high-risk individuals and health care professionals during the month of October. The general public can be vaccinated in November and can continue to receive vaccinations through March, since the flu season usually runs December through April.

Because the vaccine's efficiency starts to diminish after three or four months, the public is reminded to follow the CDC guidelines.

It is recommended that high-risk residents call their private health care providers and make appointments for their vaccination. Community vaccine programs will be posted at the Public Health Department and Mercy Hospital Grayling for the month of November based on vaccine availability.

If you have any questions, please call your local Health Department, your health care provider, or Mercy Hospital Grayling's Occupational Health department at (989) 348-0560. You can also obtain more information about influenza vaccination guidelines and availability by logging on to [www.cdc.gov/flu](http://www.cdc.gov/flu).

# Parent and child activity night to be held at Grayling Middle School

Thursday, Oct. 27, the Parent Involvement Team at Grayling Middle School will be holding its 6th annual PIT Activity Night.

This year there will be a Halloween Costume Contest, for the students added to the evening. Students get in free with a parent or a \$3 admission if they come without a parent. "Here is a chance for the middle school kids to get dressed up and possibly win some great prizes. They will have a chance to win a 128 mg MP3 player, a personal CD player or a huge chocolate bar. Three prizes will be awarded per grade level," said Shirley Currison from the PIT Activity Group.

While the students are showing off their costumes, the parents will be attending a new program called "True Colors," presented by Tracy Wilson, a certified True Colors Awareness Presenter. The True Colors System was created to translate complicated personality and learning theory into practical information. "It provides all of us with an opportunity to open our hearts and minds to our own potential. It helps us recognize and encourage potential in others.

It teaches us to bridge the gaps in communication leading to respect and compassion for ourselves and others, and opens the doors to successful relationships and a climate for effective learning," said Currison.

"During the Activity Night, parents will identify their own True Colors and the True Colors of their family members. You will have the opportunity to see how your colors affect your family relationships and how you can open the doors of communication and understanding. Join us for an insightful and entertaining evening," Currison added.

A hot dog, chips and pop meal will be available for \$1, starting at 5:30 p.m. and the activity night will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

# Michelson Youth Group announces first annual 'Angel's Night'

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church's Youth Group will be holding its first annual "Angel's Night", on Sunday, Oct. 30, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The Michelson youth group will be attempting to sidewalk chalk all 53 panels of sidewalk in front of the church on a night that is normally reserved for mischief and vandalism; and replace it with charity and harmony.

All 53 panels are to be decorated with positive messages. They are looking for little artists with big ideas, so bring the kids out; have a cookie, a cup of cocoa and let the uplifting graffiti begin.

During this event, they will also be collecting items for the Christian Help Center. Some of the items requested by the Help Center: juice, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, canned meat, Jell-O, pudding, tuna and Hamburger Helper, tuna fish, flour, sugar, hot chocolate, laundry soap, dish soap, canned fruit, soup, mac and cheese, syrup, cereal and bar soap.

Children may not be left unattended and the event is weather permitting. Costumes are optional but encouraged. Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church is located at 400 Michigan Ave. Call Chad at 348-3587 for more information.

# Crawford County Transportation Authority

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Leaves Grayling	3:00 p.m.		
Leaves Grayling	5:00 p.m.		

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Leaves Grayling	6:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	7:00 a.m.
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Leaves Grayling	11:30 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	1:30 p.m.
Leaves Grayling	3:30 p.m.
Leaves Grayling	5:00 p.m.

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Leaves Grayling	11:00 a.m.
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Information regarding RHI medical transportation services can be obtained by contacting Julie Dean at 348-8215.

## SPECIAL EVENT TRIPS \*: Scheduled For November 2005

**Trip #1**  
Tuesday, November 8, 2005  
Victories Casino - Petoskey  
Departing at 8:30 a.m.  
Approximate arrival in Grayling 4:00 p.m.


**Trip #2**  
Thursday, November 17, 2005  
for Bronner's/Frankenmuth  
"Out to Lunch Gang Trip"  
Departing the Center at 9:30 a.m.  
Trip organized by the Crawford County Commission on Aging  
Contact Elouise Mize @ 348-7123 to reserve a seat

\*Special event trips require: (1) a minimum of twenty-two passengers; and (2) that passengers less than 18 years of age be accompanied by a responsible adult.

To reserve seats or request information concerning special event trips call Richard or Gary @ 348-4101

COMMUNITY EVENT SERVICES:  
Service schedules may be modified to meet increased demand during special community events, such as the Milltown Festival.

To request information concerning expanded services call Richard or Gary @ 348-4101



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## Bindschatel, Huber wed

Angela Gail Bindschatel and Travis Charles Huber were united in marriage on August 20, 2005 at 4 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church.

Megan West was the maid of honor and serving as bridesmaids were: Amy DeLoRosa, Katie Petricevic, Michele Pratt and Tosha Ritter.

Mike Pratt was the best man, groomsmen were: Tyler Huber, Eli Tobin, John Herrick and Brad Ritter. The ushers were Jeff and Greg Schmidt, Samantha Schmidt was the junior bridesmaid and Kyle Schmidt was the junior groomsmen. Emma Schmidt was the flowergirl and Connor Schmidt served as the ringbearer.

Afterward, a reception was held in honor of the newlyweds at the Holiday Inn of Grayling.

The couple honeymooned in the Upper Peninsula and now reside in Grayling.



Angela Bindschatel and Travis Huber

### Card of Thanks

Angie's Angels - We have a big thank you to go out to our community. We can not express our gratitude enough. We had an excellent turnout. There are a lot of people who need our thanks and we do not want to miss anyone. I would like to thank Sylvester's, in Grayling, for putting up with me with all those t-shirts. 7-11, thank you Jacquie and crew for all you have done and continue to do. Riverland, in Grayling, thank you Ann and crew. To all the area businesses and friends who donated for the auction.

Thank you, Jack Millikin Inc, Jerry Millikin, Block Buster, Hair Station, JJ's Motor Mall, Ole Dam Party Store, Jim's Farm Market, Skip's Sport Shop, AuSable Gifts, J. Dap, DuBois Lumber, Davis Jewelry, Spikes, Save-A-Lot, and many more.

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We need to thank the cooks, Bob McClain, Scott McClain, George Hall, Ed Papendick, and Bob Wakeley, excellent job guys. And all the people who helped in the kitchen and the people who brought food.

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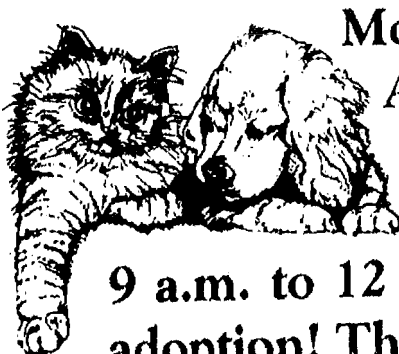
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# A HARTWICK HALLOWEEN



Over 1,000 people attended the Halloween Walk organized by The Friends of Hartwick Pines earlier this month. Lanterns and 110 jack o' lanterns lit up the trails and children met the animals of the forest who explained how they survived in the forest and gave them treats.

Photos by Pam Engel

## The spirit of Halloween visits the library

The spirit of Mrs. Funck came to the Devereaux Library last this last week. With Halloween looming, she paid a visit to see how things are going with her beloved library. At the Boo! on you! Halloween festivities she issued a strong warning to all who do not respect books and don't take care of them. But being a kindly soul, she is glad to see how large the library has grown from its original location in her home on Michigan Avenue.

A classic poem re-worded by Bambi Mansfield Sanderson for BOO! on you!

'Twas the Night that Mrs. Funck came...

'Twas the night that Mrs. Funck returned to the library in town. She was sorely disgusted, with books tossed all around. All the novels were shoved on the shelves without care, In hopes that no one would give a slight care.

But, while the children were playing on the computers with glee, The spirit of Mrs. Funck, the ghost librarian crept up to see. The staff was hiding between the books and the desk, Fearful of being overcome by cardiac arrest.

When out on the floor there arose such a clatter, I sprang to my feet to see what was the mat-

ter. Away to the shelves I flew like a flash. Tripped over a book cart, "Bang, Clank, Bong and Crash!"

When what to my wondering eyes should appear but the ghost of a librarian, my soul shook with fear. With a finger she pointed to the shelves on the right, "Who didn't put back the books on this dark autumn night?"

The veil on her head made me shudder with fear, "Young Lady, did you pay all your late fees this year?"

And though I possessed courage, wisdom and health, I cried and I sobbed in spite of myself. In libraryland, no one can compare, to Mrs. Funck the librarian with her stern little stare.

She spoke not a word as she searched for my name; "Why... you have overdue fines, you should be ashamed". "The people who come to our library you see, would want books in good order, now don't you agree?"

Mrs. Funck was the librarian, who had started it all, In her house on Michigan Avenue, with a room down the hall. Funckier things have happened before, Now, Mrs. Funck had come back to even the score!

So, you better be scared... or is it too late; Have you returned all



The spirit of Mrs. Funck visited the Devereaux Library last week

of your books? Or have you sealed your own fate?

I heard her exclaim as She disappeared out of sight... "Take care of my books and all will be right." In the words of her parting the meaning is clear; Mankind will be wise with a library near.

"There are many fine books, you should take special care... cause if you do not... you had better beware!"

For when the moon is aglow on any given night, The ghost of the librarian past, will come to make things right.

Do not bend book corners, nor

rip them apart, don't return them too late, you must do your part.

Treat books with kindness, and place them just so, or Mrs. Funck's Ghost will be sure to know!

The spirit of Mrs. Funck took the opportunity to appear at the Frederic Library on Saturday to repeat her message. We anticipate Mrs. Funck sightings at our upcoming Boo! on you! events: Saturday, Oct. 29, 2 p.m. at the Lovells Library and Monday, Oct. 31, 10:30 a.m. when Miss Bea will have a very special Halloween Story Hour at the Devereaux Memorial Library.

## Roscommon area church's hold fall festival

Some Roscommon area church's are joining together for a Fall Festival at the Roscommon County Fairgrounds beginning Friday, Oct. 28 at 6:30 p.m. with a chicken barbeque under the red and white tent, fol-

lowed by a southern gospel concert featuring the group Soul's Harbor from Saline. A \$10 donation gets both the dinner and the concert.

On Saturday, Oct. 29 at 5 p.m. area teenagers are invited to participate in a double concert featuring Jayson Simonson on his acoustic guitar, followed by the group Fifth Window High. Both concerts will be held at the fairgrounds. In between concerts there will be a pizza party in the red and white tent next to the blue building.

A \$5 donation gets the youth

into both concerts and the pizza party.

Sunday and Monday nights have been set-aside for the children of our area, as a feature ministry called "Eddie and Company" will perform with their puppetry, clowning, and interaction with the audience. This ministry will also be held in the blue building at the north end of the fairgrounds, starting at 6 p.m. on Sunday.

The grand finale on Monday will feature a party for the children of our area under the red and white tent at 5 p.m. on Oct. 31.

There will be candy, food, and games, followed by the ministry of "Eddie and Company" in the blue building. A free will offering will be received on both Sunday and Monday for the kids ministry "Eddie and Company". The participating churches are Roscommon Free Methodist Church, First Congregational Church, Racers Baptist Church, and Soul's Harbor Worship Center.

For more information you may contact the office at Soul's Harbor Worship Center at 275-5309.

## GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner reports his department handled the following during the week of October 16 - October 23:

Two private property accidents, three traffic warnings, one

misdemeanor arrest, one felony arrest;

One assault complaint, one larceny complaint, one criminal sexual conduct, three assist other departments, two civil complaints, seven malicious destruc-

tion of property complaints, three disturbing the peace complaints, three suspicious situations, three juvenile complaints, one alarm complaint, three harassment complaints and unclassified complaints.

## SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

Join us for a meal, either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Please try to call for reservations at (989) 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500, so that we know how many to plan for.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, October 28 - Lunch: beef ravioli, tossed salad, broccoli. No dinner. 1 p.m. Stagette Club and Pantry Bingo. Monday, October 31- Lunch-


sloppy joe, broccoli with cheese sauce, coleslaw, pineapple. Dinner - chicken tetrazzini, Italian blend stewed tomatoes, cheese biscuit, fresh fruit salad. 12 p.m. Stag Club, 1 p.m. Bridge Club, 5:30 p.m. Hangman.







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## Dinner to benefit military family who lost home

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upcoming spaghetti dinner is \$5 per person or \$20 per family.

"He's a veteran, and the Legion should be there for them," said Art Thayer, who serves as the chaplain for the Grayling American Legion. "Even though they had house insurance, they're still going to need furniture, clothing and all kinds of stuff."

Proceeds from the dinner will be matched by funds raised through the American Legion's weekly bingo contests.

"We figured it was time to start doing something for the troops," said Harold "Tike" Golnick, the judge advocate for the Grayling American Legion.

Lisa and the three children are living in a rental home after staying at the Super 8 motel while their home is being rebuilt.

Lisa said several items including three kitchen tables have

been donated to the family and plenty of clothes have been received for the children.

"It's getting to the point where they'll never be able to wear all the outfits," she said.

Lisa said she is overwhelmed by the support her family has received since the fire from the 1071st Family Support Group and other community members.

"It's been a blessing and quite a big help," she said.

Lisa said the fire has been particularly difficult for George, who was also deployed for Operation Desert Storm.

"He just feels like he needs to be here with his family and not over there," Lisa said.

Tickets for the dinner are being sold at the American Legion Hall, Goodale's Bakery and the Grayling Pharmacy.

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY



Photo by Dan Sanderson

The staff and members at the Northland Area Federal Credit Union donated 109 teddy bears to area firefighters and emergency responders as they marked Make A Difference Day Saturday. The bears will be given to children who are involved in house fires and automobile accidents. The bears were donated to the South Branch Fire Department and EMS, Grayling City/Township Fire Department, the Lovells Fire Department, Frederic Township Fire Department and EMS and Mobile Medical Response.

## DISTRICT HEALTH #10 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Health Department No. 10, Grayling office, has scheduled the following clinics/classes for November:

Immunization clinics: November 2 and 16 by appointment, call (989) 348-7800.

Family planning clinic: November 1, 15 and 29. Call (989) 348-7800 for appointment.

WIC Clinics: This program provides supplemental foods

and nutrition education for eligible pregnant and breast feeding women, infants and children: November 10, 14-16-17, 21, and 30. Call (989) 348-7800 for an appointment.

OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard Training sessions: For information call (231) 876-3839/Health Education.

Breast and cervical cancer screenings: Available to women

ages 40-64 who have limited or no health insurance. A clinic is scheduled November 8 in Grayling. Call 1-989-348-7800, ext. 8042, for an appointment.

Hearing and vision screenings: This is a free program for children ages three to 18.

Appointments are necessary. Clinics are being held in Crawford County at the Head Start Building in Grayling. For

an appointment you will need to call (989) 348-7800.

Flu Clinics are available November 2 and 4. Please call (989) 348-7800 for an appointment.

The Crawford County branch office of District Health Department #10 is located on Meadows Drive, east of the South I-75 Business Loop, in Grayling.

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## Kirtland's online nursing program honored

Kirtland's online nursing program, which may be the only one of its type in the country, has earned its creators the Outstanding Group Educators of the Year Award from the Michigan Occupational Deans Administrative Council (MODAC).

MODAC is made up of representatives of Michigan's 35 community colleges and members bestow one individual and one group award among their peers each year.

At Kirtland, the award goes to Dr. Karen Brown, associate dean and head of Kirtland's nursing department, as well as nursing instructors Wendy Hillman and Susan Owens. All three helped in the online program's development, and teach classes in the program as needed.

Brown said the online nursing program is a cooperative effort between Kirtland, Monroe County Community College and Kalamazoo Valley Community College. Each helped with the development phase and offer teaching staff on a rotating basis. "The program is an outstanding example of a collaborative endeavor that continues to be the only program of its kind available," Brown said.

Created through a grant from the Michigan Community College Virtual Learning Collaborative for the development of new online programs, the online "RN from LPN" program is designed for licensed practical nurses who want to take the next educational step, which is to become a registered nurse. This



Kirtland faculty members who are part of a collaborative online nursing program were recently honored with the Outstanding Group Educators of the Year Award from the Michigan Occupational Deans Administrative Council. The three Kirtland participants are: (L-R) Dr. Karen Brown, Wendy Hillman and Susan Owens.

is generally a one-year program, of study with many prerequisites needed for acceptance.

In addition, students need online learning skills. "Online education isn't for everyone," Brown said. "Students need excellent computer skills and need to be very self-motivated and self-disciplined. They have to be able to learn from reading."

The online format makes the program a possibility, however, for many participants who might not otherwise be able to attend a traditional campus.

"Being online, it also makes it easier for our students to work

during the first two semesters of the program," Brown said. The third semester involves resident clinical work in a health facility and is coordinated by the community college, out of the three involved, that is closest to the student.

"The second class just completed the program and a third group, with 16 students, began this fall semester," Brown said, noting that 117 students applied for fall admission.

The accolades for the program, have not ended with the MODAC award, Brown said she gets requests for information daily

and has been invited to give presentations on the program at the Michigan Nursing Summit in April; the World Conference on E-Learning in Corporate, Government, Healthcare & Higher Education in Vancouver, British Columbia this month; the National Organization for Associate Degree Nursing Conference in Pittsburgh in November; and during an ITC Network Audio-Web Conference in December.

MODAC presented the award to the online program partners during its annual meeting Friday, Oct. 7, in Grand Rapids.

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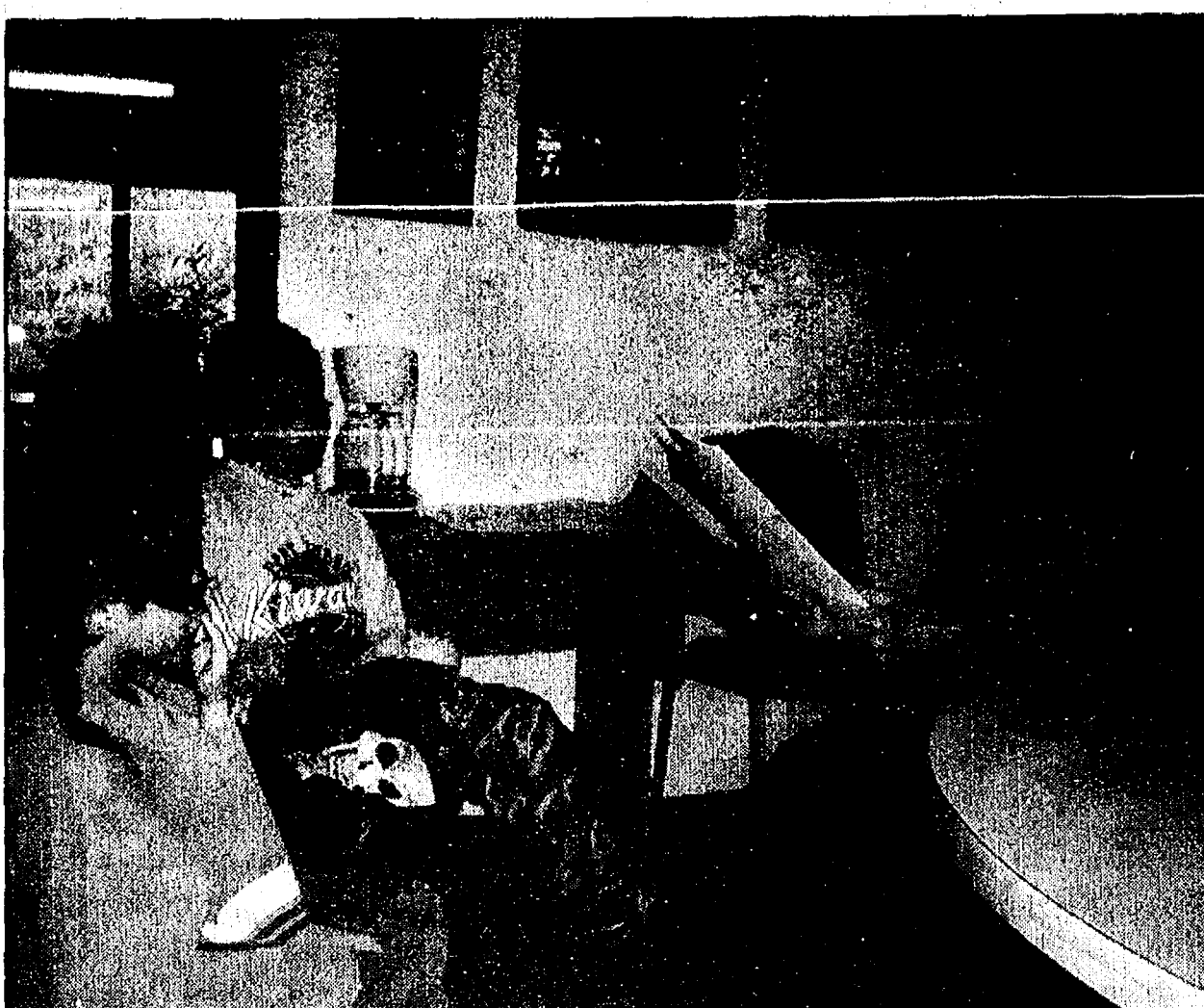


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Over 20 children gathered at the Frederic Community Library on Saturday for the library's Boo on You program. Above, Anna Biernat, the youth and adult services program director for the Crawford County Library System, reads a Halloween tale.

## Farm Park to offer Halloween hayrides

On the evenings of Saturday and Sunday, Oct 29 and 30, Wellington Farm Park near Grayling will be hosting Halloween Hayrides especially designed for the younger set. Hayrides will begin at 6 p.m. and continue until everyone has had an opportunity to visit the 60 acre living history farm bedecked in jack-o-lanterns and goblins. Cost of the ride is \$3 and one adult will be allowed to ride free of charge with each group of children. Included in the hayride will be a traditional 1932 Halloween party, complete with apple bobbing, parlor games and special treats.

Wellington Farm Park is a historical farm where life during the Great Depression is depicted everyday. The Halloween Hayrides will be no exception. The evening event, like other events sponsored by Wellington are designed to be a learning experience as well as being fun and entertaining. Obviously absent from this traditional fall event will be chainsaw massacres, gruesome scenes of blood and death and loud obnoxious scenes designed to frighten youngsters. While on the hayride, visitors will see the entire farm bedecked with about 100 jack-o-lanterns, they may encounter characters like Father Time, a witch and perhaps a ghost or two, all very friendly.

The Halloween Hayrides are created and staffed by the Grayling Michelson Singers, a vocal ensemble who will be traveling to Europe on a concert tour later this fall. Proceeds from the Halloween hayrides will help to finance their trip.

Wellington Farm Park is located on Military Road between Camp Grayling and North Higgins Lake State Park. Easy access from both I-75 and US - 127 make the farm a popular spot for tourist traveling to the Northern Michigan area. The park features eight historic buildings depicting life in a rural farming community during the time of the Great Depression. The latest addition to the complex was the moving of the historic Stittsville Church to the farm where it will undergo extensive restoration and soon be available for visitors to use and enjoy.

For more information call the farm at 888-653-3276.

## September blood drive brings more first time donors

The Crawford County Community Blood Drive held at the American Legion, in September brought 93 donors including 10 first-time blood donors. First-time donors were: Russell E. Anderson, Dale C. Clyma, Ruth Clyma, Helen Lee, Michael Lepper, Bonnie Littrell, Horace Littrell, Christine McManamon, Ann Staley and Cory Treece. Mary C. Brown received a seven gallon pin.

On August 30 a special O-type blood drive was held at the St. Mary Family Center. One gallon pins were presented to Michael Branch, Douglas Hodges and Wally Knapp. Kathleen Baker received a 5 gallon pin.

The next Blood Drive will be sponsored by the students at Grayling High School on Wednesday, Nov. 2, at GHS, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

On Thursday, Nov. 3, there will be a blood drive at the Frederic Township Annex from noon to 5:45 p.m.

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# Vikings clinch playoff berth with 47-0 win at East Jordan

Grayling to host Alma at 7 p.m. on Friday, October 28

■ Vikings finish the regular season at 6-3 and qualify for 3rd straight postseason

by Caleb Casey  
Senior Staff Writer

The Vikings clinched a playoff berth – their third consecutive postseason appearance – with a 47-0 victory in last Friday's varsity football game at East Jordan.

"This was a game that we had to win," Coach Ben Brock said. "I was content with how we came out and dominated on both sides of the ball. The best part is that everyone is healthy for the playoffs. We were able to rest our starters for the entire second half. The guys are also proud of the fact that they just set the school record for points in a season with 281. We topped last season's mark of 277."

On Friday night at East Jordan, the Red Devils received the opening kick-off and started at their own 32-yard line. East Jordan picked up two first downs and moved into Grayling's end of the field. Two penalties on the Red Devils and three defensive stops by Grayling brought up 4th and 39. East Jordan punted, and Zac Baker returned the kick all the

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Photo by Caleb Casey

The Vikings celebrate after their 47-0 victory at East Jordan on Friday. The win – Grayling's sixth of the year – secured a playoff spot for Grayling High School.

## JV Vikings tie East Jordan 34-34 in season finale

■ Grayling ends 2005 season with a 5-1-1 record in Lake Michigan Conference

by Caleb Casey  
Senior Staff Writer

The Grayling Vikings and the East Jordan Red Devils battled to a 34-34 tie in last Thursday's junior varsity football game at Grayling High School.

On the fourth play of the game, 1st and 10 from the 50-yard line, East Jordan completed a pass but the Vikings knocked the ball loose on the tackle and Adam Gabriel recovered the ball for Grayling.

On the second play of Grayling's resulting series, the Vikings fumbled and East Jordan covered the loose ball.

The Red Devils started 41 yards from the goal line. They picked up one first down. A holding penalty moved the ball back 15 yards. On 4th and 1, East Jordan went for it and Grayling's defense stopped the play for a loss. The Vikings took over on downs at their own 25-yard line.

Ryan Cooper ran for 18 yards on first down. On the next play,

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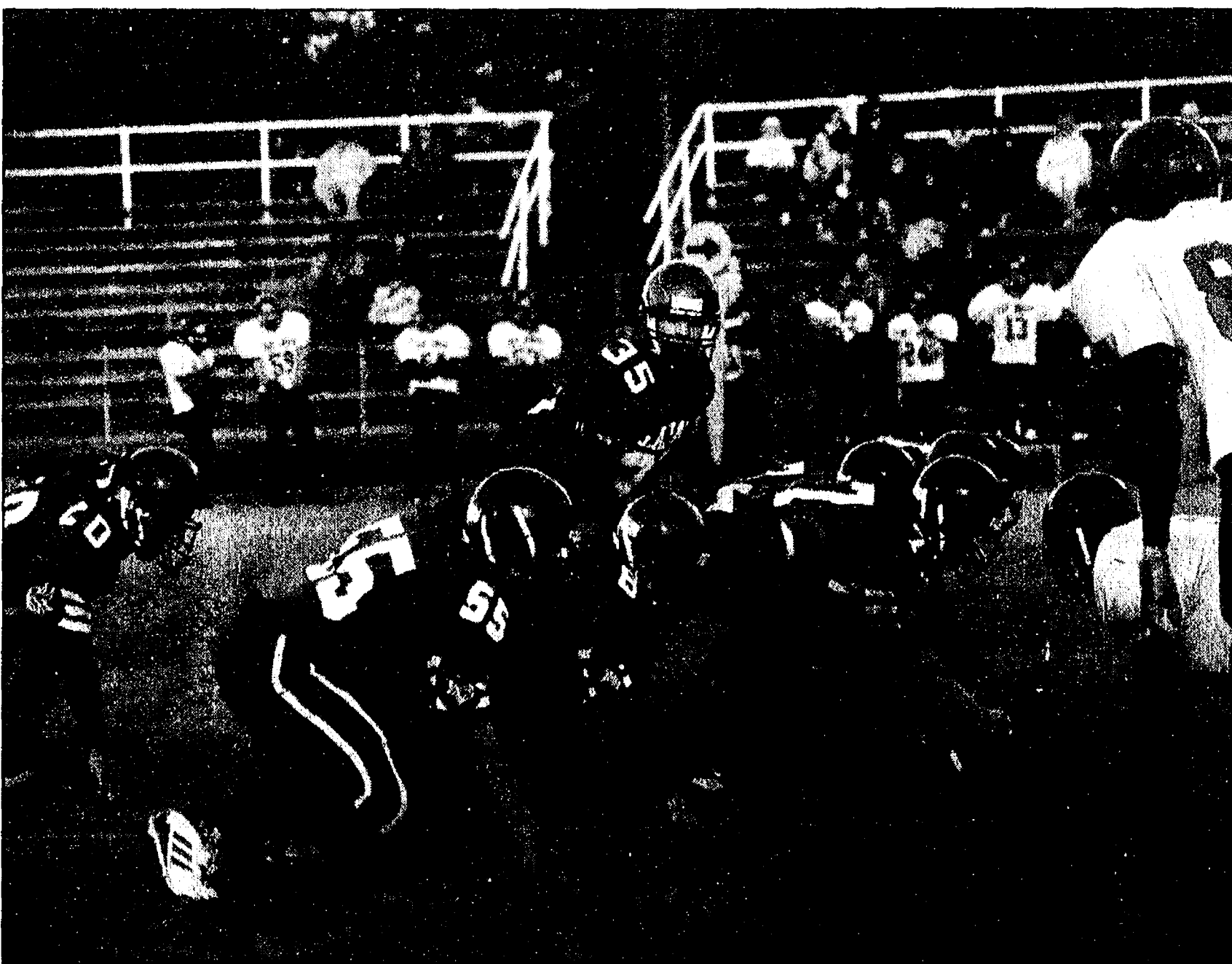


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Grayling High School's junior varsity football team gets ready to run a play on offense in last week's season finale vs. East Jordan.

## Varsity girls win by three

■ Basketball team defeats Ramblers of Boyne City by final score of 57-54

Grayling High School's varsity girls basketball team defeated Boyne City 57-54 last Thursday at GHS.

"Our girls played tough, but more importantly, they played together. I am ecstatic about the win, and even happier that we led from start to finish," Coach L.J. Mead said. "Boyne is a good team, but we had kids step up and play like they can. Our senior guards did a nice job of getting others involved. The girls fed off each other and our bench brought a lot of emotion tonight."

Michelle McGuire finished the game with 26 points, 3 rebounds, 6 assists, and 6 steals. Trisha Petersen had 15 points, 4 rebounds, 8 assists, and 4 steals; Ashley Bindschatel had 4 points, 4 rebounds, and 2 steals; Katie Baynham had 7 rebounds and 2 steals; Laura Boylan had 6 points, 8 rebounds, and 6 blocks; and Abby Wheeler had 2

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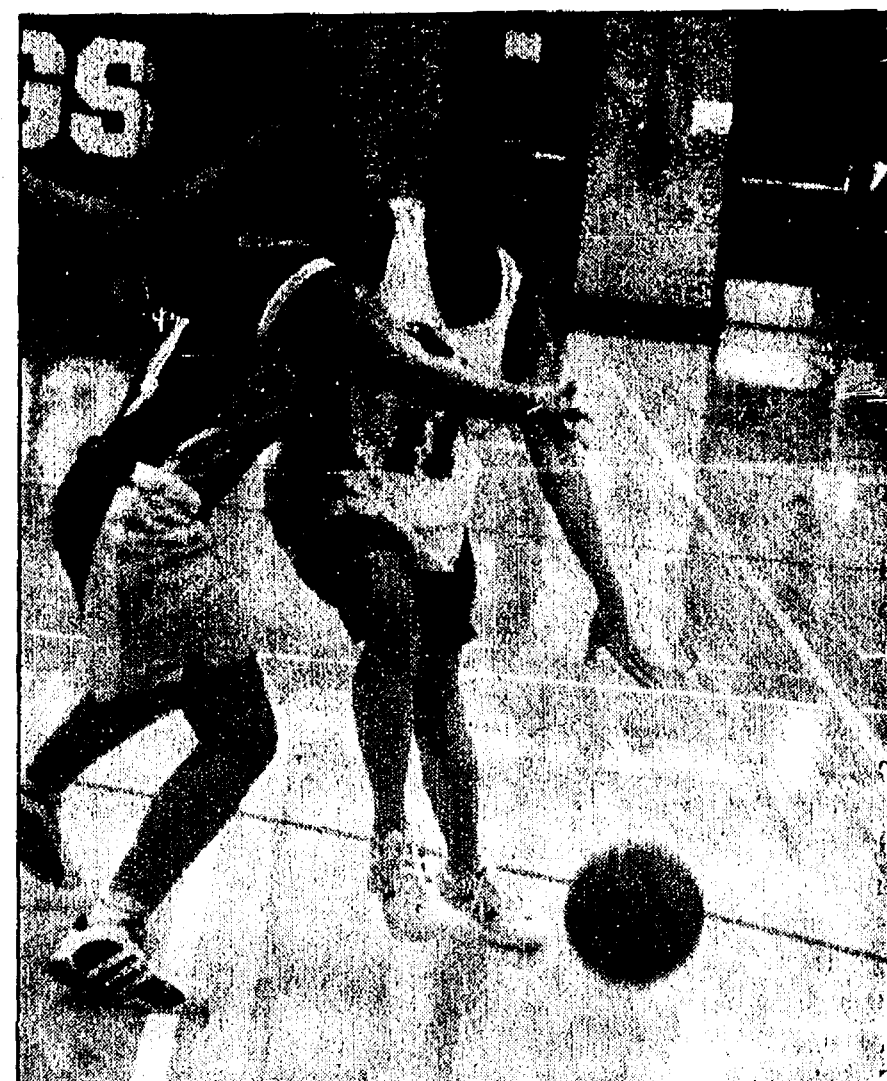
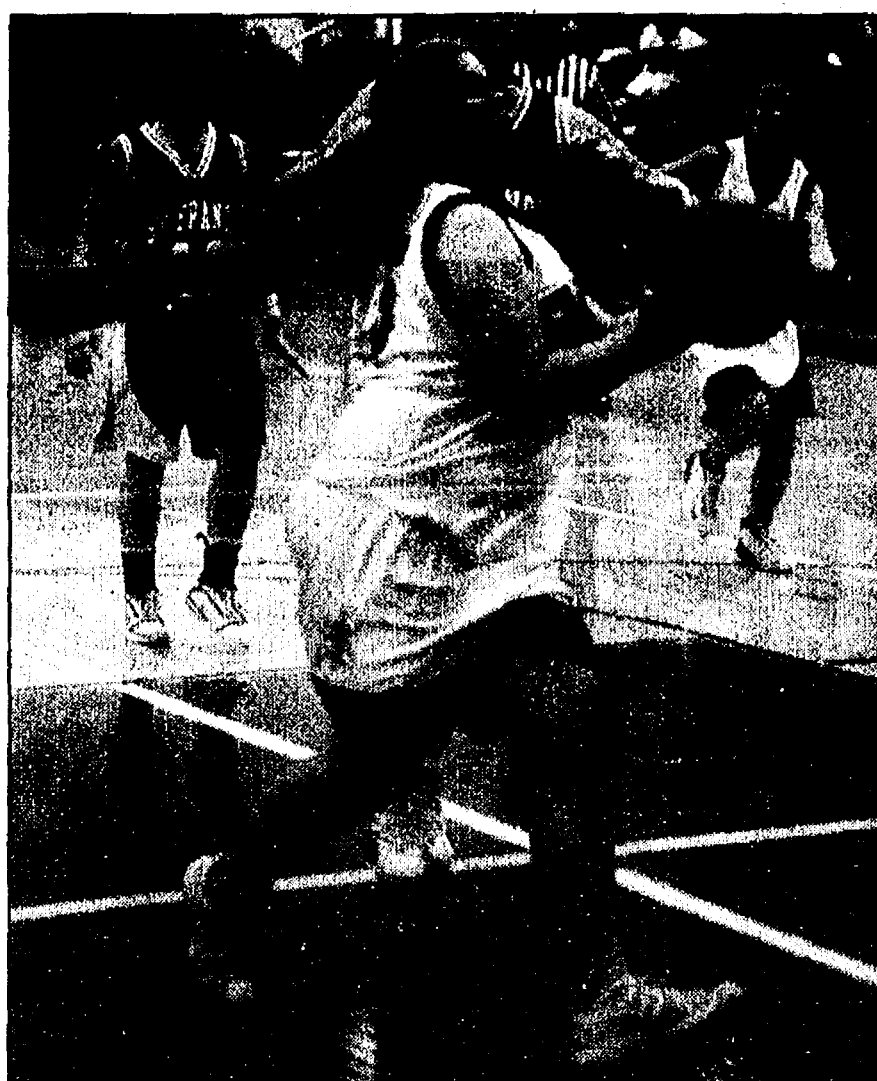
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## JV team falls to TCSF Gladiators

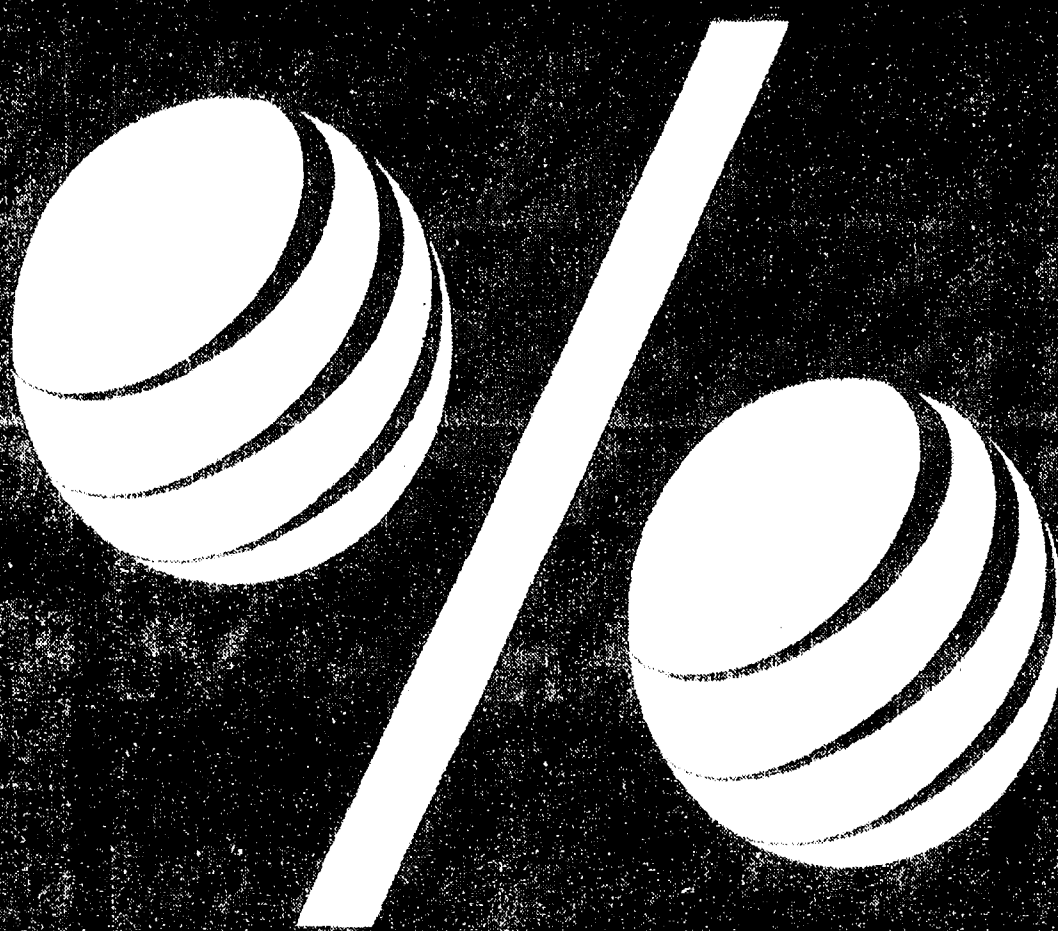


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(Left) Tiffany Davis drives to the basket for the Vikings in last Tuesday's JV girls basketball game against the Gladiators of Traverse City St. Francis. (Right) Gabby Calkins dribbles the ball for GHS. Traverse City St. Francis won the contest 62-18.



(Left) Alyssa Lewis handles the ball for the Vikings on Tuesday. (Right) Rachel Doremire passes the ball to a teammate in the game against TCSF.



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# JV Vikings tie East Jordan 34-34 in season finale

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Cooper ran for 17 yards, moving Grayling into East Jordan's end of the field. East Jordan's defense held and Grayling punted on 4th and 9.

The Red Devils capped a 13-play, 79-yard drive with a 3-yard touchdown run by the quarterback on 3rd and goal. The two-point conversion failed. East Jordan led 6-0 with 10:52 left in the first half.

After a short kick-off, Grayling started at its 43-yard line. Two runs by Cooper and a 5-yard face mask penalty on the Red Devils brought up 1st and 10 at the 43-yard line of East Jordan. A holding penalty moved GHS back 10 yards. A run by Cooper, plus 15 yards for a penalty (late hit out of bounds), gave Grayling a first down at the 34-yard line. Cooper ran for 16 yards on the next play. On 1st and 10 from the 18-yard line, Cooper ran into the end zone for a touchdown. The two-point conversion try came up short. The score was tied at 6-6.

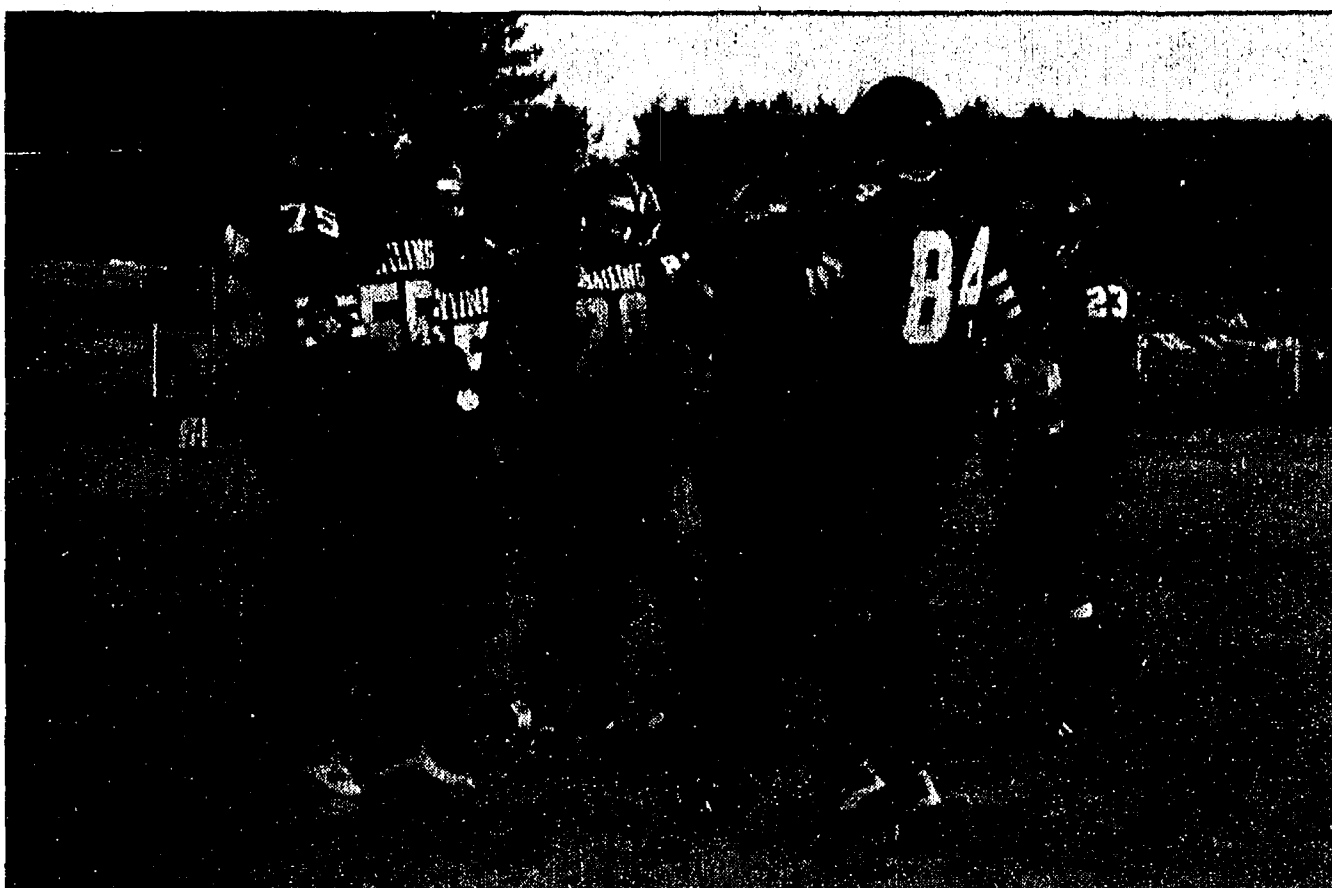
East Jordan fumbled on the sixth play of its next series and Gabriel recovered the ball for GHS. The next two possessions ended with punts.

Grayling drove 45 yards on nine plays and finished the series with a 5-yard touchdown run by Cooper on 2nd and goal. The possession also included an 11-yard reception by Josh Stapleton on 3rd and 8 and 16- and 13-yard runs by Gabriel on quarterback draw plays. Cooper ran the ball into the end zone on the conversion attempt for two points. Grayling led 14-6 with 1:23 left in the first half.

After the kick-off, East Jordan started at the 50-yard line. On the fourth play of the possession, the Red Devils converted on 4th and 1 to keep the drive alive. Three plays later, on 4th and 12, East Jordan picked up a first down with a screen pass. On 1st and 10 from the 17-yard line, with 10 seconds left in the first half, East Jordan threw into the end zone. The East Jordan receiver and Grayling defender both came down with hands on the ball. By rule, the tie goes to the offense, resulting in a Red Devil TD. The run on the two-point conversion try came up short.

The first half ended on the ensuing kick-off with GHS up 14-12.

East Jordan opened the second half with an on-side kick, and Alex Gabriel covered the ball for GHS. Three runs by Cooper picked up 25 yards. Runs by Cooper and Dustin Russo gained 17 yards and another first down. On 2nd and goal at the 7-yard line, Grayling scored on a TD run by Cooper. East Jordan stopped Grayling's two-point



Grayling's JV starters are announced prior to Thursday's home game against the East Jordan Red Devils.

conversion run. The Vikings led 20-12.

East Jordan responded with a four-play, 57-yard scoring drive. The Red Devils finished the possession with a 34-yard touchdown run. With the two-point conversion, the score was tied at 20-20.

Grayling answered with another touchdown drive. GHS started at its 35-yard line after the kick-off. Runs by Cooper and Adam Gabriel gained 14 yards. Runs by Gabriel and Cooper picked up another 14 yards. Two runs by Cooper and one by Russo picked up 14 yards and a first down. Runs by Gabriel and Cooper brought up 1st and 10 at the 12-yard line. Russo ran for nine yards on first down. On 3rd and 1, Gabriel ran the ball into the end zone for a TD. Cooper scored the two-point conversion, and Grayling led 28-20 with 1:09 left in the third quarter.

East Jordan finished a 65-yard, 11-play drive with a 3-yard touchdown run on 1st and goal. The series also included a 24-yard run and a successful run on 4th and 3 to keep the drive going. Grayling stopped the two-point conversion attempt, and the Vikings led 28-26 with 8:39 remaining in the game.

On the second play of Grayling's next possession, the Vikings fumbled and East Jordan recovered, giving the Red Devils possession at midfield.

On the first play of the series, East Jordan broke free for a 33-yard run. Four plays later, the Red Devils scored on a 3-yard touchdown run. With the two-point conversion, East Jordan led 34-28 with 6:12 remaining in the game.

A good return by Stapleton on the kick-off moved GHS into East Jordan territory. Two runs by Cooper brought up 1st and goal at the 7-yard line. Cooper



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Ryan Cooper carries the ball for Grayling on Thursday night vs. East Jordan.

scored a touchdown on 2nd and goal. East Jordan stopped Grayling's two-point conversion attempt to leave the score tied at 34-34 with 5:13 left in regulation.

On the sixth play of East Jordan's next series, 4th and 5, the Red Devils went for it and came up short. Grayling took over on downs at its 36-yard line with 2:36 remaining in the game.

Two runs by Cooper gained 13 yards. The drive ended on downs four plays later.

East Jordan moved the ball 20 yards on a screen pass. On the next play, Adam Gabriel intercepted a deep pass by the Red Devils.

After the interception, GHS started at its own 8-yard line with 50 seconds left in the contest. A run by Cooper picked up 14 yards. A deep pass to Isaac VanNuck gained 23 yards. On 2nd and 10, a completion to VanNuck moved GHS 18 yards closer to the end zone. A QB

sack on first down forced a spike to stop the clock on second down. On 3rd and 20, Cooper ran for about 20 yards but the game clock expired with the score tied at 34-34.

Cooper finished the game with 285 yards on 40 carries with four touchdowns and two extra point runs. Gabriel finished with 56 passing yards and 50 rushing yards with one touchdown.

As a team, Grayling had 417 total yards of offense - 361 of it on the ground.

"This was a very exciting game and a great way to end our season," Coach Chris Kucharek said. "It's too bad there isn't overtime in JV football."

"Our kids played their guts out," Coach Ron Wyman said. The tie left Grayling's season record at 5-3-1. The Vikings posted a 5-1-1 record in Lake Michigan Conference games this year and tied East Jordan for second place in the final league standings.

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## Vikings clinch playoff berth with 47-0 win at East Jordan

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way to the end zone for a Grayling touchdown. The extra point kick missed, and GHS led 6-0.

On East Jordan's next possession, the Red Devils fumbled on 2nd and 1 and Zach Dean recovered the ball for the Vikings.

Grayling started at East Jordan's 40-yard line. Joey Bancroft rushed for 13 yards on first down. A pass from quarterback Jeff Bancroft to Eli VanNuck gained seven yards and a run by Joey Bancroft picked up another first down. Joey Bancroft ran for eight yards on first down and finished the drive with an eight-yard touchdown run on 2nd and 2. Jason Drudge kicked the extra point, giving GHS a 13-0 advantage.

Three plays into the next series, East Jordan went for it on 4th and 1 at its 43-yard line. Dean tackled the ball carrier short of the first down marker and GHS took over on downs.

On the first play of the drive, Grayling fumbled and East Jordan recovered.

The Red Devils moved the ball into Viking territory. On 4th and 2, East Jordan tried for a first down but a tackle by Dean on the play put an end to the drive.

Grayling drove 58 yards on six plays for another touchdown. A pass to Reagan Schmidt gained 27 yards on 2nd and 14. A pass to Bobby Starks picked up 15 yards. Joey Bancroft ran for nine yards on 2nd and 10. On 3rd and 1, Jeff



The GHS varsity football team gets set for a play on offense in last week's game at East Jordan.

Bancroft completed a pass to Schmidt for an 11-yard touchdown. Drudge kicked the extra point. Grayling led 20-0 with 7:11 left in the first half.

A holding penalty on the kick return put the Red Devils at their own 15. On 3rd and 8, VanNuck intercepted an East Jordan pass to give Grayling the ball at the 50-yard line.

On first down, GHS gained 20 yards on a pass to VanNuck. A pass to Baker and a run by Tim VanNuck brought up 1st and 10 at the 18-yard line. On 2nd and 6, Grayling scored on a 14-yard pass play to Eli VanNuck. Drudge's extra point kick gave Grayling a 27-0 lead.

A penalty on the kick return put East Jordan back at its 15-yard line. On 3rd and 13, Eli VanNuck posted his second inter-

ception of the game. VanNuck ran the ball back about 40 yards and reached the end zone for a touchdown. Drudge kicked the extra point.

On 3rd and 5 of East Jordan's next possession, the Red Devils fumbled. Schmidt scooped the ball up and ran into the end zone, but a holding penalty nullified the TD. Grayling took over at East Jordan's 12-yard line.

Joey Bancroft ran for 11 yards on 1st and 10. On 2nd and goal at the 1-yard line, Joey Bancroft crossed the goal line on a rushing play for a touchdown. The extra point kick missed. GHS led 40-0.

East Jordan returned the ball to the 40, ran one play, and the first half ended.

Grayling opened the second half with a 60-yard touchdown drive. Eight of the possession's 10 plays were runs by Joey Bancroft, including an eight-yard rush on 1st and goal to end the series. Drudge kicked the extra point. The Vikings led 47-0.

The next four possessions, two by each team, ended with punts. East Jordan drove from its 33 to Grayling's 32 and tried a long field goal on 4th and 2. The kick missed.

Grayling took over at its 20-yard line. A run by Tim VanNuck gained 12. Dusty Parens carried the ball for a 13-yard gain on the next play. Grayling knelt twice to kill the final seconds. GHS won 47-0.

Offensively, Jeff Bancroft was 7 for 8 passing for 117 yards and two touchdowns. Joey Bancroft

carried the ball 16 times for 115 yards and three touchdowns. Tim VanNuck ran the ball seven times for 50 yards. Eli VanNuck caught three passes for 60 yards and one TD and Schmidt had two catches for 35 yards with one touchdown.

On defense, Dean had 12 tackles, 1 sack, and 1 fumble recovery; Eli VanNuck had 8 tackles and 2 interceptions; Bobby Feutz had 10 tackles and 1 sack; Joey Bancroft had 6 tackles and 2 sacks; Baker had 8 tackles; Jeff Bancroft had 7 tackles; and Andrew Woolsey had 7 tackles.

Friday night's victory — Grayling's sixth win of the season — secured a playoff spot for the Vikings. GHS (6-3) will host Alma (5-3) in a pre-district post-season matchup on Friday, October 28, at 7 p.m. Pre-sale tickets for the event can be purchased at the GHS office this week for \$5. Season passes are not valid for MHSAA playoff games.

"We will host the first round of playoffs against Alma and that will be good for us. We will try to reverse what happened to us last season and right our wrongs of the past. Alma is a good team with size and power in their running game. They also have tough kids on defense who flow to the ball very well. This is the first time that Grayling has ever played Alma, so it should be a good time," Coach Brock said. "We are the number one seed in the district, Kingsford is number two, Cheboygan is number three, and Alma is number four."

## POOL LEAGUE

Women's Standings		Growlers Pub	
Holiday Inn	42	8 Ball Run: Cookie (American Legion); 5 Ball Run: Cindy and Lachelle (Holiday Inn); Denise E. (Sawmill II); 6 Ball Run: Sandy (Holiday Inn).	31
Frederic Inn	41		
Sawmill I	36		
Legion	34		
Sawmill II	32		

**Heads Up North**  
**Vikings of the Week**  
Varsity Football  
Coach: Ben Brock  
**JOEY BANCROFT & ELI VANNUCK**  
Joey finished the 2005 regular season with 162 carries for 1,213 yards and 15 touchdowns. Eli finished with 49 receptions for 1,093 yards and 9 touchdowns.





(Left) Katie Baynam drives to the basket for Grayling in Tuesday night's game vs. Traverse City St. Francis. (Right) Michelle McGuire shoots the ball for the Vikings.

## Varsity girls win by three

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points, 3 rebounds, and 2 steals. On Tuesday, the Vikings lost to Traverse City St. Francis 53-25 at GHS.

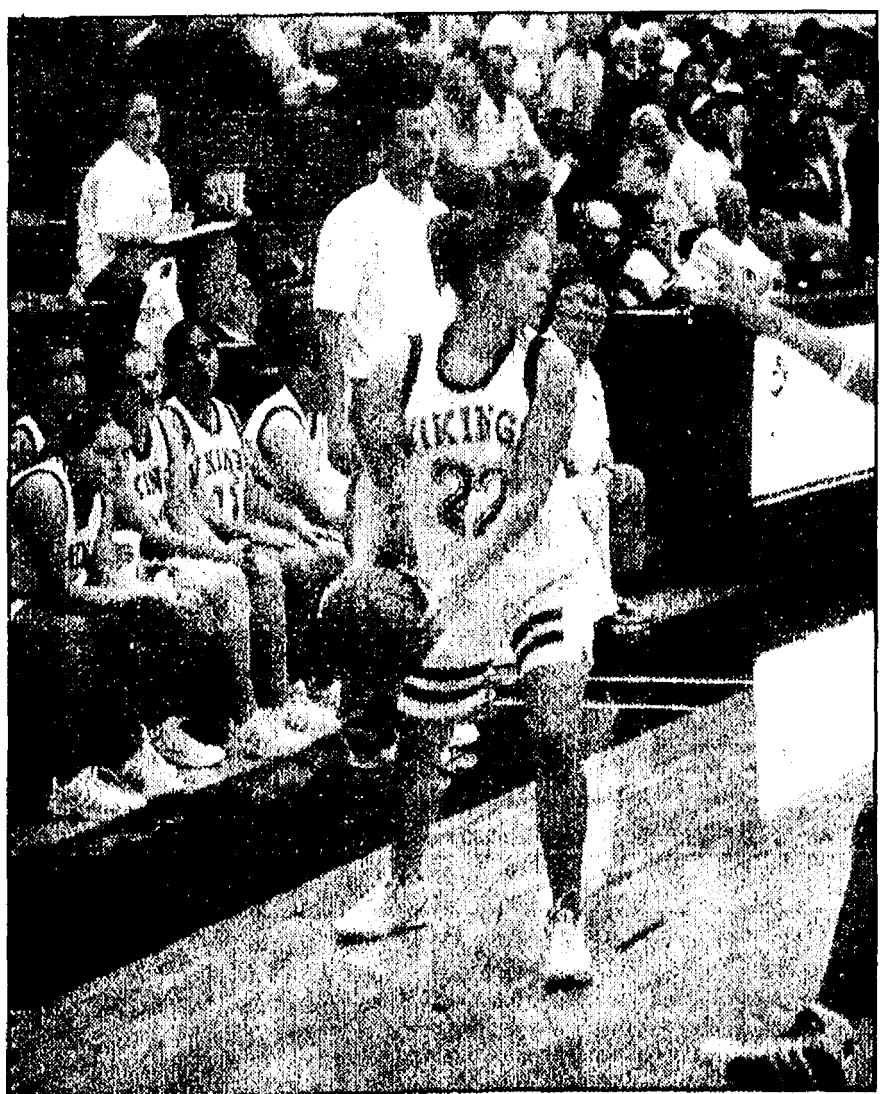
The Vikings trailed by eight at halftime, 26-18, but the Gladiators outscored Grayling 27-7 in the second half.

"This was a disappointing loss, since we played them so good the first time in their gym. We played tough the first half, then we completely shut down the second half," Coach Mead said. "We quit on each other and that was a tough pill to swallow."

Baynam had 9 points, 9 rebounds, and 2 steals; Boylan had 3 points and 4 rebounds; Bindschatel had 2 points and 2 rebounds; McGuire had 5 points, 3 rebounds, 3 assists, and 2 steals; Wheeler had 3 points and 5 rebounds; Petersen had 4 rebounds, 2 assists, and 4 steals; and Monica Peters had 5 rebounds.




Trisha Petersen handles the ball for GHS in the game against TCSE.



Amanda Lutz looks for an open teammate on Tuesday night.

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**Viking of the Week**



Girls Basketball  
Coach: L.J. Mead  
**MICHELLE MCGUIRE**


On Thursday, Michelle had 26 points on 8/16 shooting from the field in a win over Boyne City. "Michelle did a nice job of getting her teammates involved by connecting for six assists. She also added six steals and six defensive deflections," her coach said.

**BINGO**

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#### Avalanche Football Contest Official Rules

(1) Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Write your prediction for the games played, advertisers and tiebreakers (total points scored by both teams) on entry form. Entry form without advertisers listed will be invalid. The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed. If the tie breakers can not determine a winner, a drawing will be held to select a single winner. (2) One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford County Avalanche employees are not eligible. (3) Completed entry forms must be returned to the Avalanche no later than 5 pm Friday before each week's games. Mail slot in our door may be used Wednesday or Thursday night after 5 pm and before 9 am. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 5 pm Friday. Mail to Crawford County Avalanche, PO Box 490, Grayling MI 49738. (4) Entries must be on an official entry form as printed in the Avalanche. No purchase necessary to enter. Entry forms available at the Avalanche office. Winner may claim their prizes at the Avalanche office between 9 am and 5 pm weekdays. Identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming prizes.





# LEGAL ACTION

## STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

FILE NO. 05-6842-CH  
ESTATE OF ROGER J. WEATHER-  
LY, SR., - Deceased  
Plaintiffs,  
v  
EDNA MCNAMARA, and  
UNKNOWN HEIRS, SUCCESSORS  
AND ASSIGNS  
Defendants,  
GERARD F. BRABANT, P.C.  
By: Gerard F. Brabant P31123  
Attorney for Plaintiffs  
P.O. Box 35  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
(989) 275-4365

### ORDER TO ANSWER

On the 11th day of September 2005, an action was filed by Plaintiff, against Defendants in this court to pursue a judgment quiet title the following described real property:

Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, to-wit:

The South 100 feet of the North 924 feet, of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 31, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, lying East of the AuSable River.

Upon consideration of the Complaint of Plaintiffs, attesting to the fact that the Defendant EDNA MCNAMARA, HER UNKNOWN HEIRS, SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS addresses are unknown, and that therefore service upon Defendants of the Summons and copy of the Complaint in this action cannot otherwise be effectuated, and it appearing to the Court that the Defendants can best be apprised of the pendency of this action by publication of this Order in a newspaper.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant, EDNA MCNAMARA, HER UNKNOWN HEIRS, SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS, shall file an answer with the Court and serve a copy of his answer on the law office GERARD F. BRABANT, P.C. Gerard F. Brabant, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 241 Lake Street, P.O. Box 35, Roscommon, MI 48653, or to take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 10th day of January 2006. Failure to comply with this Order may result in a judgment by default against the Defendant, EDNA MCNAMARA, HER UNKNOWN

HEIRS, SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS, for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be published once each week for three (3) consecutive weeks in Crawford County Avalanche.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be posted once each week for four (4) weeks in the Crawford County Building.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be posted at the above described parcel of land at a location visible from the nearest public road and access.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the first publication of this Order be made within 14 days from the date of entry of this Order.

Date of Order: 10-13-05  
Dennis F. Murphy  
P31907  
HONORABLE  
Circuit Court Judge

-27-3-10

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Frederic Pratt, an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated July 22, 2003, and recorded on September 10, 2003 in Liber 651 on Page 370, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Three And 26/100 Dollars (\$116,183.26), including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the

Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on November 30, 2005.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The South 1/2 of the following described property: The Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 32, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, except the South 495 feet thereof, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.  
Dated: October 27, 2005  
For more information, please call:  
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Attorneys For Wells Fargo Bank, NA successor by merger and/or name change to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc.  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #070178F01

-27-3-10-17

## SYNOPSIS BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP October 10, 2005 MEETING

The regular meeting of the Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present: Riley, Summers, Balmes, Little and Hartman. There were 4 visitors present.

Motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Seconded and carried.

Reports given by the Treasurer, Supervisor and Fire Chief.

There were 4 pieces of correspondence.

### Old Business:

1. Discussion regarding insurance on hall rentals in the community center. Motion by Balmes to change the wording in the rental agreement to "have a 24-hour liquor liability insurance certificate" and discontinue use of attaching it to their homeowner's policy. Seconded and passed.

2. Motion by Riley to approve one additional hour per day for one additional month for the secretary to work on the township web page. Seconded and carried.

### New Business:

1. Motion by Balmes to continue keeping the transfer site open on Wednesdays through November, but changing the

hours from 4:00p.m.-7:00p.m. to 3:00p.m.-6:00p.m. Seconded and passed. If we get residents who wait it left open after November, we will pass that information on in the December 1st Township Letter.

2. The township had three responses to its ad for snowplowing. Motion by Little to contract with the lowest bidder, M&M Landscaping & Snowplowing, Jeff Tomes, for the 2005-2006 season.

3. Motion by Balmes to allow any board member wanting to attend the January conference to do so. Seconded and passed.

4. Motion by Little to pay the AP bills, seconded and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

## STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

FILE NO. 05 6761 CH (D)  
Crawford County Housing  
Rehabilitation and Community  
Development Commission,  
PLAINTIFF  
VS

Joseph Parriett and Kimberly Puett aka Kimberly Parriett,  
DEFENDANTS  
David R. Sabin P19822  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
115 Michigan Avenue  
Grayling, Michigan 49738  
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### NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that by virtue of a Default Judgment in the County of Crawford, Michigan, dated October 3, 2005, directing the sale of the following-described property which is located in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, I shall offer the said properties for public sale to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse at 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court on THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2005 AT 10:00 A.M.

All that part of the West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 17, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, lying South of Highway M-72. Affixed to the real estate is a 1992 Fairmont Manufactured Home SN MY9386285K. Tax ID No. 040 40 017 01 300 00.

## CITY OF GRAYLING MEMORANDUM

The following candidates are running for City Council in the November 8, 2005 City Election:

Regular Term (4-years) Two Open Seats:  
Daniel M. Bonamie II  
Roger Moshier  
Thomas Wellman

## GRAYLING TOWNSHIP SEEKS CANDIDATES FOR G.R.A. APPOINTMENT

The Grayling Township Board of Trustees is seeking candidates interested in serving on the board of directors of the Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA). The GRA is the responsible authority in planning and running the summer and winter recreation programs at Hanson Hills Recreation Area and the Fish Hatchery. The GRA board meets monthly.

The Grayling Township Board of Trustees will make the appointment at the Wednesday, November 9 monthly board meeting based on the qualifications, interests and availability of the candidates.

Interested persons should submit a letter of interest prior to Wednesday, November 9. Letters may be mailed to: Terry Wright, Supervisor; PO Box 521; Grayling, MI 49738.

## KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD VACANCY

The Board of Trustees of Kirtland Community College seeks applications for the position of Trustee in order to fill a vacancy created by a resignation. Applicants for this board vacancy must be qualified electors resident within the Kirtland Community College District. Interested parties are encouraged to submit an application letter with a summary statement describing the applicant's education, experience, community service record and public (or private) board history (if any), which must be received by 5 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 10, 2005, to:

Board Chairwoman Sally Galer  
c/o Office of the President  
Kirtland Community College  
10775 N. St. Helen Road  
Roscommon, MI 48653

Selection for this trusteeship requires a majority vote of the current trustees of the college. The term of this appointment will be from election by the trustees through June 30, 2007. Applicants may be requested to appear at the Nov. 17, 2005 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, for an interview.

Karen Martella, Chief Deputy  
Sandra Moore  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
-27-3-10-17-24-1

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ATTN POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE: Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Green Tree Financial Servicing Corporation) may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Dale E. Overmyer and Tammy M. Overmyer, husband and wife, to Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Green Tree Financial Servicing Corporation), dated August 25, 1998, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford in the State of Michigan on September 8, 1998, in Liber 462, Page(s) 379, et. seq., on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of the Notice the sum of \$77,749.43, together with interest of 7.00 percent per annum.

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on November 2, 2005 at 10:00 a.m., in the Lobby of the Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Crawford, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

Township of Grayling, Crawford County Michigan. Lot 158, Grayling Mobile Estates No. 4, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 37, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale pursuant to the abandonment procedure under MCLA 600.3241.

Green Tree Servicing LLC  
(f/k/a Green Tree Financial Servicing Corporation)  
BRANDT, FISHER, ALWARD & ROY, P.C.  
DONALD A. BRANDT (P30183)  
Attorneys for Mortgagee

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Dated: September 22, 2005  
-29-6-13-20-27

## SHORT FORECLOSURE NOTICE (All Counties)

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Thomas A Zazo and Valerie M Zazo, his wife, to Congess Mortgage Company, 39520 Woodward, Suite 106, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48304, Mortgagee, dated October 29, 2004, and recorded on November 03, 2004, in Liber 672, on page 320, Crawford County Records, Grayling, Michigan, and Assigned to Universal Financial Services via an Assignment dated October 29, 2004 and recorded in Liber 672, Page 321 and recorded November 03, 2004, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nineteen Thousand, Five Hundred Eight Five Dollars and Ninety Five (\$119,585.95), including interest at 10% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front Door of the County Bldg., in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock AM on November 2, 2005. Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, County of Crawford, State of Michigan and are described as: Lot 497, Indian Glens of the AuSable, Unit 6, according to the Plat thereof, recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Crawford County records.

Parcel I.D. # 052-520-000-497-00  
The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 23, 2005  
Mortgagee:  
Universal Financial Services  
39520 Woodward, Suite 106  
Bloomfield Hills, Mich. 48304  
Attorneys:  
Jerry L. Watson, Esq.  
39520 Woodward, Suite 106  
Bloomfield Hills, Mich. 48304

-29-6-13-20-27

## MORTGAGE SALE

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Default having been made for more than thirty (30) days and the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Covenant Capital, Inc., a Michigan corporation ("Mortgagor") to The Huntington National Bank (formerly known as Empire National Bank), a National Banking Association of 10717 Adams Street, Holland, Michigan, Mortgagee, dated October 14, 1999, recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan on October 27, 1999, Liber 494, Page 76, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$75,099.00 and an attorneys fee as provided for in said Mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the money as secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof and the entire sum claimed due is, as of the date hereof, fully due and payable.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, on November 23, 2005, at 10:00 a.m., local time, the undersigned will, immediately inside the lobby of the Courthouse, City of Grayling, Michigan, (that being the place for the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said Mortgage for so much thereof which may be necessary to pay the amount due on said Mortgage, with 10.51 percent blended interest and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, together with said attorneys fee, and also any sum or sums which may be paid and are by Mortgagee necessary to protect its interest in the premises, which premises is located in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan and described as following, to-wit:

Lots No. 7 and 8 Grayling Mobile Estates No. 1, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 8.

commonly known as: 4079 West Pinecrest, Grayling, Michigan 49738

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed except in the event the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA §600.3241(a), in which case the property may be redeemed during the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale.

THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, MORTGAGEE  
BY: RHOADES LAW OFFICE PC  
Dated: October 12, 2005  
Peter D. Rhoades  
P O Box 2271  
Holland MI 49422  
616-355-7318

-20-27-3-10-17

## NOTICE TO ALL DOG OWNERS

## 2006 DOG LICENSES ARE AVAILABLE NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>

## Fees Are \$15.00 for Male and Female Dogs And \$8.00 For Spayed Or Neutered Dogs

You must have a rabies vaccination certificate from a licensed veterinarian and proof of spaying or neutering.

If the rabies vaccination expires within 30 days you cannot purchase a license. If the rabies vaccination expires during the year the license is no longer valid.

Dog Licenses may be purchased from:

Beaver Creek Township Hall  
Frederic Township Hall  
South Branch Township Hall  
Crawford County Treasurer's Office  
Grayling Hospital for Animals  
Roscommon Veterinary Office  
Animal Shelter of Crawford County  
Crawford County Animal Control Officer

BEGINNING MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> LICENSES ARE CONSIDERED DELINQUENT AND WILL COST \$25.00.

AFTER MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>, licenses will only be available from:

Crawford County Treasurer's Office  
Grayling Hospital for Animals  
Roscommon Veterinary Office  
Crawford County Animal Control Officer

Licenses may be purchased by mail from the Crawford County Treasurer's Office only. You must send a certificate of rabies vaccination and proof of neutering or spaying along with a check or money order. Send to:

Crawford County Treasurer's Office  
200 W. Michigan Avenue  
Grayling, MI 49738

Gail Foguth  
Crawford County  
Animal Control Officer  
(989) 344-3273

Joseph V. Wakeley  
Crawford County Treasurer  
(989) 344-3231

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# LEGAL ACTION

## Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: AuSable Valley Investment Company, L.L.C., to

First National Bank of Gaylord, Mortgagee, dated March 6, 2002 and recorded March 8, 2002 in Liber 572 Page 463 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned through mesne assignments to: Alaska Seaboard Partners Limited Partnership, by assignment dated September 6, 2005 and recorded October 4, 2005 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Fourteen Dollars and Ninety-Seven Cents (\$28,314.97) including interest 8.9% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling, MI at 10:00AM on Wednesday, November 16, 2005.

Said premises are situated in Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

**Exhibit A**  
Parcel Number 7: A Parcel of land situated in Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan, and more fully described as follows:

That part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 33, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, described that part of the North 1/4 corner of said Section 33; thence South 89 degrees 17 minutes 00 seconds East along the North line of said Section and the centerline of 612 Road 658.41 feet; thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 17 seconds East 664.86 feet; thence North 89 degrees 16 minutes 43 seconds West 328.32 feet; thence South 00 degrees 19 minutes 52 seconds East 1009.63 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 89 degrees 40 minutes 08 seconds East 570.17; thence 95.57 feet along the arc of a 100.00 foot radius curve to the right whose long chord bears South 48 minutes 41 seconds West 91.98 feet; thence South 56 degrees 11 minutes 29 seconds West 100.38 feet; thence 138.37 feet along the arc of a 100.00 foot radius curve to the left whose long chord bears South 16 degrees 33 minutes 06 seconds West 127.59 feet; thence South 23 degrees 05 minutes 18 seconds East 197.66 feet; thence South 53 degrees 37 minutes 51 seconds West 594.91 feet; thence North 00 degrees 19

minutes 52 seconds West 790.07 feet to the point of beginning.

**SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH** easement's "A", "B" and "C" as described below.

Parcel Number 8: A parcel of land situated in Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan, and more fully described as follows:

That part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 33, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 33; thence South 89 degrees 17 minutes 00 seconds East along the North line of said Section and the centerline of 612 Road 658.41 feet; thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 17 seconds East 664.86 feet; thence North 89 degrees 16 minutes 43 seconds West 328.32 feet; thence South 00 degrees 19 minutes 52 seconds East 1799.70 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 53 degrees 37 minutes 51 seconds East 594.91 feet; thence South 23 degrees 05 minutes 18 seconds East 605.30 feet to a point on the East and West 1/4 line of said section; thence North 89 degrees 15 minutes 44 seconds West along said 1/4 line 715.53 feet; thence North 00 degrees 19 minutes 52 seconds West 194.84 feet to the point of beginning.

**SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH** easement's "A", "B" and "C" as described below.

**66 FEET WIDE EASEMENTS "A"**  
An easement situated in Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan, and more fully described as follows:

A 66 feet wide easement for ingress egress and the installation and maintenance of public and private utilities over and across part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 33, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, the centerline of said easement being described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 33; thence South 89 degrees 17 minutes 00 seconds East along the North line of said Section and the centerline of County Road 1240.52 feet to the point of beginning of said easement centerline; thence along said centerline South 00 degree 06 minutes 08 seconds East 42.66 feet; thence 118.51 feet along the arc of a 400.00 foot radius curve to the left whose long chord bears South 08 degrees 35 minutes 24 seconds East 118.08 feet; thence 175.81 feet along the arc of a 593.37 foot radius curve to the right whose long chord bears South 08 degrees 35 minutes 24 seconds East 175.17 feet; thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 08 seconds East 750.37 feet; thence 192.49 feet along the arc of a 150.00 foot radius curve to the right whose long chord bears South 36 degrees 39 minutes 35 seconds West 179.55 feet; thence South 73 degrees 25 minutes 19 seconds West 199.21 feet; thence 125.65 feet along the arc of a 100.00 foot radius curve to the left whose long chord bears South 37 degrees 25 minutes 36 seconds West 117.54 feet; thence South 01 degrees 25 minutes 53 seconds West 282.64 feet; thence 95.57 feet along the

right whose long chord bears South 28 degrees 48 minutes 41 seconds West 91.98 feet; thence South 56 degrees 11 minutes 29 seconds West 100.38 feet; thence 138.37 feet along the arc of a 100.00 foot radius curve to the left whose long chord bears South 16 degrees 33 minutes 06 seconds West 127.59 feet; thence South 23 degrees 05 minutes 18 seconds East 197.66 to the point of ending of said easement centerline and the center of a 90 feet radius Cul-De-Sac easement.

**33 FEET WIDE EASEMENT "B"**  
An easement situated in Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan, and more fully described as follows:

A 33 feet wide easement for ingress egress and the installation and maintenance of public and private utilities over and across part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 33, Town 28 North Range 3 West, the centerline of said easement being described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 33; thence South 89 degrees 17 minutes 00 seconds East along the North line of said section and the centerline of County Road 1316.81 feet to the point on the East 1/8 line of said Section; thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 08 seconds East along said 1/8 line 1282.31 feet; thence South 89 degrees 53 minutes 52 seconds West 331.49 feet to the point of beginning of said easement centerline; thence along said centerline North 51 degrees 45 minutes 44 seconds West 174.00 feet to the point of ending of said easement centerline.

**66 FEET WIDE EASEMENT "C"**  
An easement situated in Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan, and more fully described as follows:

A 66 feet wide easement for ingress egress and the installation and maintenance of public and private utilities over and across part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 33, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, the centerline of said easement being described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 33; thence South 89 degrees 17 minutes 00 seconds East along the North line of said Section and the centerline of County Road 1316.81 feet to the point on the East 1/8 line of said Section; thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 08 seconds East along said 1/8 line 1841.52 feet to the point of beginning of said easement centerline; thence along said centerline North 57 degrees 38 minutes 55 seconds West 137.54 feet; thence South 73 degrees 11 minutes 50 seconds West 108.12 feet; thence South 11 degrees 11 minutes 41 seconds West 210.77 feet; thence South 68 degrees 28 minutes 44 seconds West 254.72 feet to the point of ending of said easement centerline; said point of ending also being the point of ending of easement "A" and said center of 90 feet radius Cul-De-Sac.

Commonly known as Vacant Land Parcel 7 & 8 Maple Forest Twp, Pirich Rd, Grayling MI 49738

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: OCTOBER 13, 2005 Alaska Seaboard Partners Limited Partnership Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
811 South Blvd, Suite 100  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123  
Our File No: 05-37741  
Pub: 10/20 -- 11/10

## MORTGAGE SALE

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Default having been made for more than thirty (30) days and the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Covenant Capital, Inc., a Michigan corporation

("Mortgagor") to The Huntington National Bank, a National Banking Association of 10717 Adams Street, Holland, Michigan, Mortgagee, dated June 20, 2002, recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan on July 3, 2002, Liber 587, Page 137, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$75,099.00 and an attorneys fee as provided for in said Mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the money as secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof and the entire sum claimed due is, as of the date hereof, fully due and payable.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, on November 23, 2005, at 10:00 a.m., local time, the undersigned will, immediately inside the lobby of the Courthouse, City of Grayling, Michigan, (that being the place for the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said Mortgage for so much thereof which may be necessary to pay the amount due on said Mortgage, with 10.51 percent blended interest and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, together with said attorneys fee, and also any sum or sums which may be paid and are by Mortgagee necessary to protect its interest in the premises, which premises is located in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan and described as following, to-wit:

Lot 2, Block 26, of Roffee's Addition, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

commonly known as: 902 Park Street, Grayling, Michigan 49738  
PPN: 070-200-026-002-00

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed except in the event the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA §600.3241(a), in which case the property may be redeemed during the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale.

**THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, MORTGAGEE**  
BY: RHOADES LAW OFFICE PC  
Date: October 12, 2005  
Peter D. Rhoades  
P O Box 2271  
Holland MI 49422  
616-355-7318

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10.51 percent blended interest and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, together with said attorneys fee, and also any sum or sums which may be paid and are by Mortgagee necessary to protect its interest in the premises, which premises is located in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan and described as following, to-wit:

Lots 3 and 4, Block 3, of Brink's Park, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 33, Crawford County Records.

commonly known as: 304 Scott Street, Grayling, Michigan 49738

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed except in the event the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA §600.3241(a), in which case the property may be redeemed during the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale.

**THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, MORTGAGEE**  
BY: RHOADES LAW OFFICE PC  
Date: October 12, 2005  
Peter D. Rhoades  
P O Box 2271  
Holland MI 49422  
616-355-7318  
-20-27-3-10-17

## Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

**THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.**

**ATTN PURCHASERS:** This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas A. Sorenson, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 3, 2003, and recorded on February 21, 2003 in Liber 621 on Page 029, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Six Thousand Thirty-Nine And 23/100 Dollars (\$96,039.23), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on November 30, 2005.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 37, Red Wing Terrace, as recorded in Liber 4, on Page 22, of Plats

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 27, 2005  
For more information, please call:  
FC X 248.593.1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns

30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #043032F02

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Allen L. Labo and Laura K. Labo, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Homeowners Loan Corp., a Delaware Corporation, Mortgagee, dated January 15, 2004, and recorded on January 28, 2004 in Liber 665 on Page 479, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Trustee as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-One And 76/100 Dollars (\$87,291.76), including interest at 9.12% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on November 30, 2005.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 26, AuSable Trails Subdivision, being part of the North East 1/4 of Section 1, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 59, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 27, 2005  
For more information, please call:  
FC H 248.593.1300  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Trustee  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #067814F01

## Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

**PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248) 539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.**

**MORTGAGE SALE**-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by: BRIAN C. WATKINS and JULIE A. WATKINS, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., ("MERS") solely as nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and assigns, THE HUNTINGTON MORTGAGE COMPANY, Mortgagee, dated May 24, 2002, and recorded on June 4, 2002, in Liber 583, on Page 436, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED NINETY TWO AND 05/100 DOLLARS (\$64,192.05), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on November 16, 2005.

Said Premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

The North 10.01 acres of the South 40.04 acres of the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of Section 3, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan. Tax ID No. 20-040-41-003-16-020-00

The Redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.  
Dated October 6, 2005

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., ("MERS") solely as nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and assigns, THE HUNTINGTON MORTGAGE COMPANY Mortgagee  
PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C.  
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450  
Southfield, Michigan 48075

-13-20-27-3

## NOTICE

The Maple Forest Township Board will be accepting bids for snow removal at the township hall located at 8996 N. Sherman Rd. Bids should be for the 2005 - 2006 winter season and include snow removal for the township hall parking lot, driveway, and light shoveling and salting in front of both entrances. All bids must be submitted by November 8, 2005 by 5:00 p.m. Bids will be reviewed at our regular township meeting held the evening of November 8, 2005. Maple Forest Township reserves the right to reject any bids.  
Contact number is (989) 348-5543.

Please send bids to:

Maple Forest Snow Removal Bid  
C/O Sandy Baynam/Clerk  
2520 West Marker Rd.  
Grayling, Michigan 49738

are of a 100.00 foot radius curve to the

## CITY OF GRAYLING ELECTION NOTICE

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan:

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A GENERAL CITY ELECTION WILL BE HELD AT THE GRAYLING CITY HALL, 1020 CITY BOULEVARD ON**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2005**

From 7 o'clock in the forenoon until 8 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of voting for the election of the following officers

**2 CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

4 Year Term

All registered voters of the City of Grayling will be permitted to vote.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m.  
Applications for absentee ballots are being received

Michele A. Moshier  
City Clerk

# PUBLIC NOTICE

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# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago  
October 27, 1982

The Grayling City Council went on record at their Oct. 25 meeting as follows: the Council recommends to community parents that they not allow their children to celebrate Halloween in the usual manner of trick or treating and that they have children attend school or church parties instead, further that the City of Grayling will donate \$100 to the Crawford AuSable Schools to help defray the cost of such a function for children. The action taken by the city was also at the request of the Crawford AuSable superintendent Kent Reynolds, the Crawford County Board of Commissioner Chairman and the County Sheriff department and the City Police.

A proposed 120-bed nursing home for Grayling received regional approval last Wednesday. The 2.3 proposed facility now needs only state approval before construction can begin.

County Commissioners adopted a 1983 budget of \$2,191,367 at their meeting.

The thrill of victory for the Grayling Vikings football team with their 22-18 win over Boyne City.

Fast times at Ridgemont High is showing at the Rialto Theatre.

Mother Nature fooled area residents last week by throwing

us a blinding snow storm and then 2 days later giving us 30 degree temperatures.

An airport zoning petition is short of signatures according to a written opinion by the county's assistant prosecutor about the "affected area" of the zoning. Assistant Prosecutor David Sabin said the affected area of the zoning is the entire county instead of a smaller hazard area, covering a 25,000 foot radius from the end of each runway.

About 10 percent of the estimated 200,000 Michigan deer which will be killed this year won't die from arrows or bullets, they'll be hit by cars, the Michigan Dept. of Transportation (MDOT) said today. Michigan motorists are now entering the most dangerous time of year for deer-car accidents. Last year 21,242 such accidents were reported and occurred during the period from October through December.

46 Years Ago  
October 29, 1959

Two exhibition basketball games, sponsored by the Grayling High Athletic Association and the Kiwanis Club of Grayling will get the 1959-60 cage season underway in Grayling. The first game will pair the sensational New York Harlem Satellites against the Bear Archery team. The second game will

pair Alpena Community College and Northwestern of Traverse City.

The Harlem Satellites are made up of several former members of the Harlem Globetrotters. These games will take place on Nov. 11 and Nov. 21.

The former Hendershot Supply Co. warehouse adjoining the railroad tracks just off of US-27 south, is sold to the Haviland Products Co. of Grand Rapids. The company is a chemical supplier for farm crops and a dry cleaning establishment, they plan to serve Northern Michigan from here.

Thirty Brownies met in the Frederic Town Hall, all dressed as "Little Women" to celebrate their sixth year of Brownie Scouting.

Glen's Market advertised strawberries 6 - 10 oz. pkgs for \$1.00, 2 loaves of bread for 35 cents, and Spartan coffee 59 cents a pound.

The children of Grayling Public Schools from the first grade through the sixth and the children of St. Mary's, will parade in Halloween costumes as they did last year.

The Frederic Eagles dropped another football game at Bellaire by a 64-18 score.

The Grayling Vikings fell short to a 24-19 loss against Boyne City. They are looking for their second win of the season this week against the Pellston Hornets, as Pellston is still looking for their first

win.

More than 100 members and guests witnessed the installation of officers of the Grayling Chapter 83, O.E.S., in the Masonic Temple. The service was very simple and impressive.

69 Years Ago  
October 29, 1936

Indications are, according to the final Literary Digest poll given out, that Landon will not only be given the majority popular vote in the nation, but also a large majority of the electoral vote.

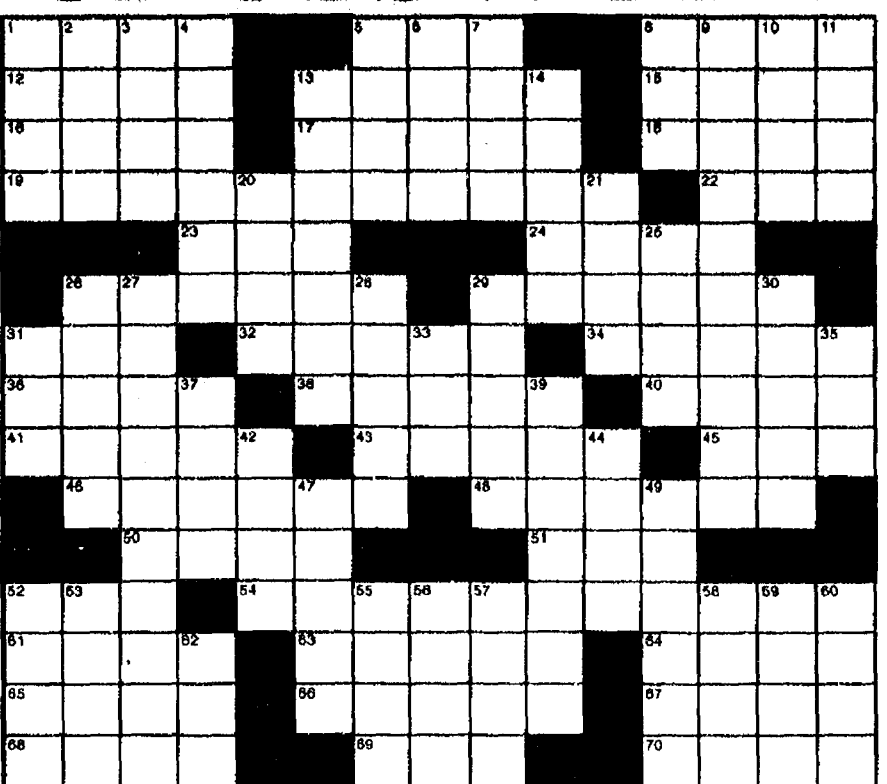
The new Sinclair service station, with Leo Schram as manager, has been taken over by Clyde Peterson. Clyde has been the head mechanic at the Alfred Hanson service station and is considered an expert auto mechanic.

92 Years Ago  
October 30, 1913

Nels Michelson of the N. Michelson Lumber Co. says that their company has concluded to subdivide a part of their property at Houghton Lake into suitable lots for resorters.

Following the accident that occurred two weeks ago, when Dr. S. N. Insley broke his arm while cranking his car, some of his friends concluded that the community could not afford to have him taking any more chances by using his old car, and decided that they would give him a present of a new car. To say that the doctor was pleased with his car would have been putting it mildly.

## CROSSWORD



Across

1. Read hastily.
5. Carol, U.S. model.
8. Cattle dewlap.
12. P. Hall, U.S. actress.
13. Groups of three.
15. Egg-shaped.
16. Roman numeral for eight.
17. Fred Flintstone's wife.
18. Small pieces.
19. Magician's word.
22. Filled layer cake.
23. Juan DeMarco.
24. Vehicle.
26. Allot.
29. Consecrated oil.
31. Venomous snake.
32. Helmsley, U.S. businesswoman.
34. Elaborate solo melodies.
36. Capital of Valais.
38. Makes a call.
40. Engrave with acid.
41. Shelley, U.S. TV writer.
43. Ledge.
45. Metal-bearing rock.
46. Small knot.
48. Lively Spanish dance.
50. Monetary unit of Uruguay.
51. Monetary unit of Brunel.
52. Sports cheer.
54. Form a guess.
61. Double-reeded instrument.
63. Chlorophyll-containing aquatic organisms.
64. Single thing.
65. Bruce or Laura.
66. Large-eyed lemur.
67. Kelly, U.S. actress.
68. Santa's vehicle.
69. Nine plus one.
70. Not west.

Down

1. The Destroyer in Hinduism.
2. Baby bed.
3. Prince, chieftain or governor.
4. Juvenile dragonflies.
5. Very dry.
6. Cazes or Garrett.
7. Burial chamber.
8. Employment post.
9. Insect organ by which eggs are laid.
10. Former silver coins of Latvia.
11. In addition.
13. Plucked an instrument.
14. Jessica Parker, U.S. actress.
20. Gather in loops.
21. Mother of Dionysus' twins.
25. Make weary.
26. Of Asia.
27. Spore-bearing fungus hypha.
28. Harsh sounds.
29. George Bingham, U.S. painter.
30. Very large in scale.
31. Inquire.
33. Informal no.
35. He Said, Said.
37. Protuberance.
39. Splashes through water.
42. Luxurious.
44. Take flight.
47. Faithful.
49. Make certain.
52. Wands or staffs.
53. Cain's brother.
55. Secret plan.
56. Fairytale monster.
57. Thin tin plate.
58. South American freshwater dolphin.
59. Moves speedily.
60. French for "state or condition."
62. Finish.

ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS



Suki is about a year old and we believe she is a Tonkinese. She is a very nice, calm cat with beautiful deep blue eyes. Suki is spayed and up to date on her shots. For information on any of our pets that are up for adoption, please visit our website at: [www.ascc.petfinder.com](http://www.ascc.petfinder.com)

Dog Opol and other games (\$25) are on sale at The Copy Shop. All proceeds go to the shelter.

The 2006 Pet and Dog Calendars are now on sale at the Avalanche, The Copy Shop and the shelter. Cost: A donation of \$5 for each, all proceeds go to the shelter.

Donations can be made by sending a check or money order to: Animal Shelter of Crawford County, P.O. Box 384, Grayling, MI 49738.

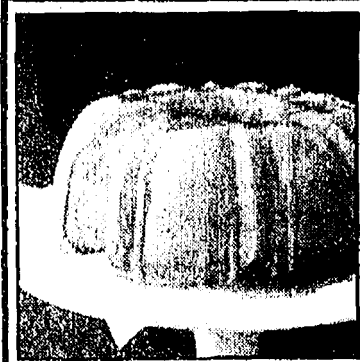
The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:  
508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling  
Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall  
Hours: Open 9 to 3 Monday thru Saturday, 9 to 12 on Sundays and Holidays  
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

### WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)					
Date	H	L	Rain	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
10/19	58	41	0.01	High 46	High 52	High 53	High 56	High 53	High 50
10/20	58	28	0	Low 27	Low 28	Low 32	Low 39	Low 35	Low 33
10/21	54	24	0	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Few Showers	Showers
10/22	54	23	0.01						
10/23	54	23	0.04						
10/24	54	23	0.01						
10/25	46	35	0.02						

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK



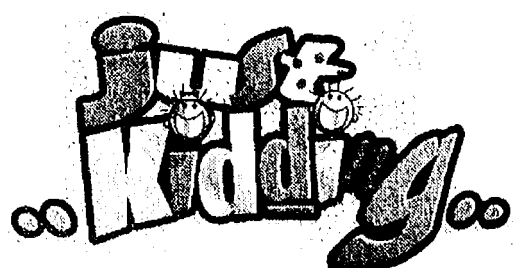
## Moist Caramel Apple Cake

- 1 pkg. (2-layer size) yellow cake mix  
1 pkg. (4-serving size) Vanilla or French  
Vanilla Flavor Instant Pudding & Pie  
Filling  
1 cup water  
4 eggs

- 1/3 cup vegetable oil  
3 Granny Smith apples, peeled, coarsely  
chopped  
20 Caramels, unwrapped  
1/4 cup milk

PREHEAT oven to 350°F. Grease and flour 12-cup fluted tube pan or 10-inch tube pan. Beat cake mix, dry pudding mix, water, eggs and oil in large bowl with electric mixer on low speed until blended. Beat on high speed 2 min. Gently stir in apples. Pour into prepared pan. BAKE 50 min. to 1 hour or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool 20 min.; remove from pan. Cool completely on wire rack.

MICROWAVE caramels and milk in microwaveable bowl on HIGH 1-1/2 min., stirring every 30 sec. until blended. Cool 10 min. until slightly thickened. Drizzle over cake.



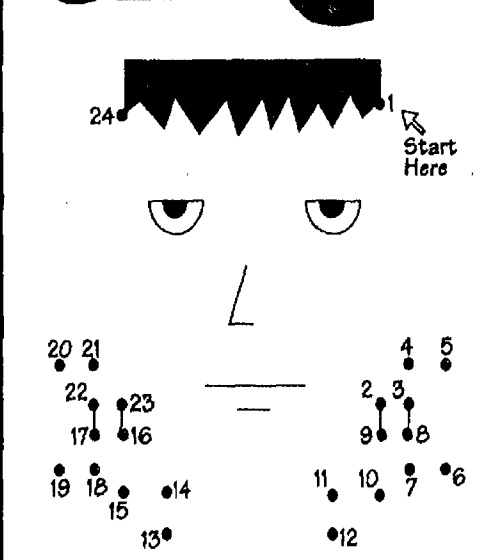
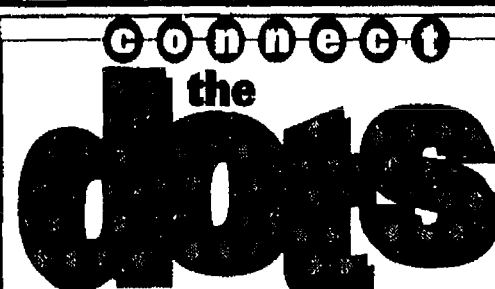
## FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



## DID YOU KNOW ??

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BOTH EAST AND  
WEST ENTIRELY BY  
RIVERS.



## HOROSCOPES

For the Week of October 27, 2005



Capricorn

Out of the fray, Capricorn? Get back in tune with your family by inviting them on a mini vacation. Don't take no for an answer.



Aquarius

You take the fall for a friend. Rest assured your efforts won't go unnoticed. A small gift perks up your mood and makes for a pleasant weekend.



Pisces

A chill settles, dampening your mood. Warm up with some hot cocoa and a good book. A film leads to introspection. Don't be too hard on yourself.



Aries

Friends seek your help. Don't turn them away. A miracle takes place at home. Celebrate with some good, old-fashioned fun.



Taurus

Communication lags and a project slows. Do what it takes to get it back on track. A flop turns out to be a blessing in disguise. Be grateful for the mishap.



Gemini

Prepare for a learning experience, Gemini. Rumors heat up the weekend. A special occasion calls for some creative thinking.



Cancer

Relish the time you have to yourself, Cancer. Life is about to pick up and you'll be busy from the moment you get up until the moment you go to sleep.



Leo

Money is in short supply. Cut back on your spending, do without some luxuries and you'll soon be where you need to be. A friend's candor catches you off-guard.



Virgo

Friends start gossiping. Don't pay attention to them. They don't have their facts straight. Travel plans take precedence over work.



Libra

An old problem requires a fresh solution. Look within for answers. A relationship moves faster than expected. Take steps to slow it down.



Scorpio

You reach a turning point. Choose your path carefully. Weekend plans are up for grabs. Let your imagination run wild!



Sagittarius

Running out of time, Sagittarius? Someone you least expect will sweep in and rescue you. Show your appreciation. A financial move is successful.



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Classified by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday

## Crawford County Avalanche

### 1. Real Estate

**HOUSE FOR SALE-** Custom built 3 bedroom ranch. Jones Lake Road. \$149,500. Shown by appointment only. 989-344-1904. (6/2/05tf/1)

**542' OF PRIME AUSABLE** River frontage and 15 acres. Priced below appraisal. Here is a great getaway in a very pristine area. \$299,000 MLS #240391 Call Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty at 989-348-6481. (-27/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**AFFORDABLE 3 BEDROOM HOME** is priced to sell. This home is located in the heart of snowmobile country and is close to both the AuSable River and state land. Ready for a new family to make it their home. \$59,000 MLS #239940 Call Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty at 989-348-6481. (-27/1)

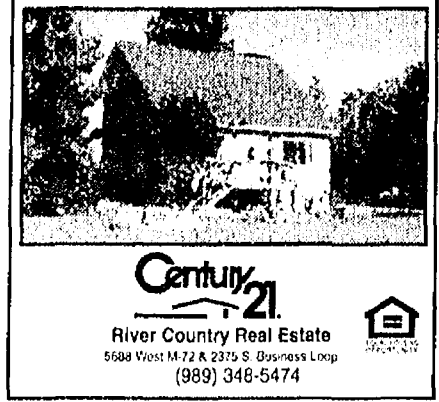
**MANY NORTHERN MICHIGAN** Properties www.century21grayling.com (1/7/99tf/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**NICE WINTER OR SUMMER** retreat. Year round fun, just walk across the road to the public access on Cub Lake or a short walk to Bear Lake for all sports fun. Comes fully furnished. \$49,500 MLS #239985 Call Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty at 989-348-6481. (-27/1)



**Connie L. Winans** 10 acres and just about everything else you could want... newer Salt Box style home with 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, full-walkout basement, beautiful Knotty Pine vaulted ceilings, and Knotty Pine wood flooring. \$145,000 #5586



### 1. Real Estate

**1995 14 x 70** Three bedroom mobile home with lot. Located in Grayling Mobile Estates, 218 Crestwood. Natural gas and cable TV available. Good condition. Great for rental or starter home. Asking \$32,900 or best offer. Will accept land contract with good, verifiable credit. Shown by appointment only. Contact Ron at 989-348-6761, days. 989-344-2053, nights and weekends. (09/08/05tf/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**2001 SINGLE WIDE MODULAR** (14 x 66). 3 bedroom, 2 full bath, with skirting and appliances. Please call 989-275-8172 evenings or Chris at 989-348-6667. \$32,500, immediate occupancy. (LR11/17/05/1)

**10 ACRES FREDERIC TOWNSHIP** Nice rolling parcel, within minutes of snowmobile trails, lakes and rivers, \$49,900. Call Dan Miller at Northern MI Land Brokers, 231-922-7170. (-27-3/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**MOTIVATED OWNERS ARE MOVING** south and willing to sacrifice clean, well kept, older Marlette mobile home on approximately .28 acres in Arbutus Beach Highlands, Gaylord. For more information, call Deanna at 989-390-6974. (9/27/05tf/1)

**FOR SALE LOG HOME** 5 acres, 3 bedroom, 1 bath, finished basement, 2 car garage plus shop. 8 miles, East 72. \$180,000. 348-5230. (LR12/01/15/1)

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**COMPLETELY REMODELED 3 BEDROOM RANCH ON 2.5 ACRES.** New Oak Kitchen cabinets, new countertops, all new ceramic flooring in kitchen, dining and living area. New corner gas log fireplace, hardwood floors, new carpeting, new lighting fixtures and all new drywall. New vinyl siding, roof and all new vinyl windows. Partial basement, ready for occupancy. \$94,500 #DBH-2214

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**Quality stick built, 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home with attached garage. This home is located in a quiet subdivision with deeded private access to the Manistee River. Very close to state land and only 6 miles from town. A must see home at an affordable price. #5282 \$75,000**

**Nice three bedroom, 1 bath ranch style home with fully finished basement, fireplace and separate 2 car garage. Home is located 7 miles from Grayling in a quiet subdivision with deeded access to the Manistee River and on a county maintained road close to snowmobile trails and state land. #5439 \$65,000**

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**SOLD**  
40 ACRES OF HARDWOODS ADJOINING STATE LAND ON 2 SIDES. Beautiful hardwoods with some Red and White Pines on flat to rolling terrain with electricity at road. Directions to property: S. Grayling Rd. to left on 7 Mile Road to property on right. Property is on corner of Merrio and 7 Mile Road. \$135,000. CS-2197

**DESIGNED WITH DISTINCTION.** This 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home has many features. Kitchen offers hickory cabinets, 2 lazy Susans and pantry. Top of the line appliances and Neptune washer and dryer to stay. Large laundry room with folding counter. Dining room offers wet bar and snack bar. Living room offers a gas fireplace and large family room. Large broomway off garage with 1 1/2 bath. CS-2216 \$179,900

**LOOKING FOR A GOOD BUY?** This 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home is located on a double lot (120 x 120). Hardwood floors. Large breezeway, large picture window in living room, open kitchen and dining area. Drywall has been freshly painted. New vinyl siding, 2 years old. New floors in kitchen and dining area. New furnace and hot water heater. Home has immediate occupancy and is turn-key. Come see the value! \$74,500. CS-2192

**LOTS 16-21, BLOCK 4 OF 4TH ADDITION PORTAGE LAKE PARK.** Nice mixture of pines and hardwoods on flat terrain. Electricity and access road both on Eagle Point Road. Directions to Property: M-72 West to left on Eagle Point Road to right at RE/MAX sign on Beech Terrace. CS-2045 \$4,800

**CLOSE TO STATE LAND AND SNOWMOBILE TRAILS.** A mixture of hardwoods and pines cover this rolling terrain, with electricity available at road. Off of Switzer Blvd., \$8,000. CS-2202

**SECLUDED SALT BOX ON 2.5 ACRES, CLOSE TO GRAYLING.** This 1,248 s.f. 3 BR home features country flair with pine wood flooring & trim, vaulted ceilings, open stair case, woodstove w/stone hearth, two skylights, 28x36 insulated heated det. garage with water, 12x14 barn, and two doorways which overlook the naturally landscaped property. Price includes new F/A heating system, paint, 12x12 patio and 12x8 deck. CH-2058 \$138,900

**SECLUDED, ROLLING 5-ACRES** in Northern Michigan's "Snowbelt". 30x40 pole building. CH-2163 \$29,500

**REDUCED**  
100' FRONTAGE ON "HOLY WATERS" AUSABLE RIVER. Prime frontage w/excellent views, island in river, feeder stream on side. 1,145 s.f., 4 BR, 1 1/2 baths, 280 s.f. walk-out basement, three season river side porch, two sliding doorways, and a brick fireplace. New roof, siding, vinyl windows, and boiler. Blacktop, private, dead end street. Two car heated garage, concrete drive, 10x24 work-shop and dock in river. CH-2100 NOW \$219,000

**REDUCED**  
104' FRONTAGE ON THE SOUTH BRANCH AUSABLE RIVER. 1,440 s.f., 4BR, 2 baths, master bedroom suite on main floor, many built-in features. Newer roof, deck, siding, and bathroom. Wooded front yard with large pond on each side of home, blacktop driveway, and 24x24 detached garage. CH-2102 \$187,900

**REDUCED**  
CREEK RUNNING THROUGH PROPERTY, HOME BACKS UP TO GRAYLING GAME CLUB. Spotless 1,456 sq. ft. home, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/4 baths, spacious kitchen, large mud room off garage. Beautiful landscaped yard with concrete drive and sidewalks. 2 car attached garage with stone accents, 12' x 12' storage shed, and 10' x 24' deck. \$105,000 CH-2187

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**NEW LISTING**  
Neat and clean 3 bedroom, 1 bath home located in a nice subdivision close to town, bike trails, Hason Hills, and Lake Margrethe. Features Natural Gas Heat, nice oak cabinets and a garage. \$84,000 #5597

450' of frontage on the East Branch of the AuSable River! This 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch comes fully furnished. Home features a gas fireplace, skylights, front and back decks, and storage sheds. Enjoy the short walk to the river's edge to wet a line! #5524 \$105,000

This home has great curb appeal. Exceptional four bedroom home with two and 1/2 baths and a total of 2,386 s.f. of custom living space. Located on the Fox Run Golf Course this home features an attached garage and 20x36 detached garage for additional storage. #5363 \$275,000

What a setting! This 2 bedroom is situated on 2 lots in Grayling Mobile Estates. Home features 2 garages, hobby house, shed and sun porch with wood burner. Great spot for primary residence. Seller is licensed Real Estate Broker in the state of Michigan. \$43,500 #5569

Stunning rolling hill views from this newer 3 bedroom, 2 bath home on 10 acres. Lighted paved driveway, Central Air, and beautiful landscaping are just a few of this home's many features. Call today for your personal showing. \$135,000 #5566

What a set-up! Beautifully landscaped 3 bedroom, 2 bath home on over an acre of land with a view of Lake Margrethe. Stunning family room/sun room has floor to ceiling trapezoid windows. Attached garage, 24x32 pole barn, 16x30 pole barn and guest cabin. #5567 \$198,900

Lake Margrethe Access home with guest cottage! This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home features an attached heated garage, covered porch, wrap around decking and a basement. Public access site 100' away from your front door! \$219,000 #5477

Stunning english country home sitting on the banks of the AuSable River! Home has just gone under total restoration and features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, ceramic tile and hardwood flooring, stained glass doors, french doors, and antique chandeliers! \$260,000 #5530

50x125 Commercial Building plus a 26x48 wing that contains a loading dock, 8x8 overhead door and a 10x10 overhead door. Building's 14' at eve and completely insulated. 27x27 office area and 3 bathrooms. High visibility and highway access. \$350,000 #5509

Rising cost of fuel won't affect this property! Beautiful log home can be totally heated with the wood burning system backed directly through Central heating system. 11 acres. 56x50 horse barn with 1 slide, mud pen and more. \$118,000 #5510

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**COMFORTABLE 2 BED-ROOM** 2 bath home offering newer septic and roof. 1 car attached garage, craft room which could be used as a 3rd bedroom, sun room, large utility room and lots of storage. Can sleep 10 people in 5 separate, private areas. Most Jack Pines have been removed and replanted with Red and White Pine, and Blue Spruce. There is a mercury light outside, 8' x 10' barn and smaller shed, and a circle drive. \$84,900 MLS #240182 Call Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty at 989-348-6481. (-27/1)

**RECREATION OR SERENITY** take your pick. Enjoy hunting, fishing, snowmobiling or quietly watch the wildlife from the front porch of this home. This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home offers enjoyment inside and out. Fireplace in the living room and wood stove in the great room offers opportunity to enjoy those cold nights snuggled in your favorite chair. Many built-in features throughout the home. \$186,900 MLS #240371 Call Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty at 989-348-6481. (-27/1)

**46+ ACRES** south east of Gaylord on Ranger Lk. Rd., paved. Wooded and some hills, \$117,500. (-20-27/1)

**RECENTLY FORECLOSED** land contract terms available. 2 bedroom mobile home with garage at 1620 Springwood in Gaylord. \$24,900 with \$1500 down, 11%, 15 year payments of \$275. Drive by then call owner Mr. Shepherd. (517) 336-7626 (No calls before driving by). (-27-3-10/1)

**I AM OFFERING** an America's Preferred Home Warranty with every new listing, which I will pay for at closing. A \$335 value that not only covers the purchaser for a year after closing, but also offers a complimentary coverage for you, the seller, during the entire listing period. A recent Gallup Survey indicates that homes with warranties sell up to 60% faster, than homes without. Contact Debbie Bondar-Bonkoski at ReMax of Grayling, 989-348-7440, for all the details. Offer expires October 31st, 2005. (-6-13-20-27/1)

**AVALANCHE OFFICE HOURS:** Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 102 Michigan Avenue, Grayling - (989) 348-6811

**FOR SALE** Clean 3 bedroom home with garage, \$84,000. Call Connie at Century 21 (989)390-2888. (-27tygd/1)

**WEEKLY AND MONTHLY** house and cottage rentals near Roscommon, Grayling, on Higgins Lake and on Houghton Lake. Higgins North Vacation Rentals. (989) 821-3434. (12/25/03tf/2)

**TWO BEDROOM MOBILE** for rent. \$450 and up. 989-348-5278. References, some pet restrictions. Seniors welcome. (-12/02/04tf/2)

**ROOMY 1 BEDROOM** upper apartment, in good neighborhood. Includes gas, electric, water, stove, refrigerator, washer, dryer and digital cable. Carpeted throughout. No children, no smoking, no pets. \$580 per month plus deposit. References required. Phone: 348-8993. (-20-27/2)

**OFFICE SPACE** individual or multiple. Includes DSL, heat, electric, water, lunch room, conference room and use of existing phone system. Ample parking and high traffic location; immediate occupancy and flexible lease term. \$395/month, 989-348-5474, ask for Randy Thompson. (09/08/05tf/2)

### 2. For Rent

#### FOR RENT Grayling Housing Commission

Is taking applications for a (1) bedroom apartment. Base Rent is based on 30% of Adjusted Income Maximum Ceiling Rents

1 Bedroom.....\$400  
Rent Includes Utilities

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### 1. Real Estate

**COZY 2 BEDROOM** 1 bath house. Non smoking, no pets. \$450 per month. Available Nov. 15th. 348-6801 (10/07/05tf/2)

**1 BEDROOM DUPLEX** snow plowing, lawn care. Adult, no smoking unit. \$365. Employment and rental references. 808 B Park Street. 348-2178 (10/20/05tf/2)

**201 FULTON ST.** One bedroom, upper level apartment. Intercom from apartment to locked security door. Air conditioned, new kitchen cabinets, a very nice apartment. Individual locked storage in basement, with hookup for washer and dryer. Garage with auto opener. Non smoking and no pets. Must see to appreciate. \$450 per month. \$425 security deposit plus utilities. References required. call 989-348-7143 (-09/22/05tf/2)

**GRAYLING APARTMENT FOR RENT.** Two bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer & dryer, air conditioning. Second level deck, privacy yard, carpet throughout, garage. Convenient location to hospital. \$625 plus security deposit. Call (989) 344-9070. (-LR11/10/05/2)

**FOR RENT** 1005 Ogemaw Street, 3 bedroom home, attached garage. \$600 monthly plus security deposit. Utilities not included. Call Doug at 348-5214 for application. (-13-20-27/2)

**CHARMING, COMPLETELY FURNISHED** 2 bedroom home with linens, towels and kitchenware located in the Village of Roscommon. Available immediately for monthly stays at \$650 a month which includes all utilities except for telephone. No pets. References required. Please call 989-915-1390 for an appointment to view. (-13-20-27-3/2)

**CUTE 2 BEDROOM HOUSE** for rent with appliances, big yard, nice location, \$450 a month with one year lease. I check references. Available November 1st, taking applications now. Call Kim at 348-5884. (-20-27sgf/2)

**FURNISHED 1.5 BEDROOM COTTAGE** with garage, halfway between Grayling and Roscommon. \$500 a month. First and last months rent, credit report obtained. 989-939-8965. (-27-3/2)

**1 BEDROOM/1 BATH** cute, fully furnished home. Just steps away from Higgins Lake. \$500 a month plus utilities. Call 231-218-8529. (-27-3/2)

**1, 2 & 3 bedroom duplex.** \$400 to \$500. 348-5230. (LR11/17/05/2)

**HOUSE FOR RENT** Partly furnished, 400 feet off East Higgins Lake. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, \$550/month plus deposit. Call 989-939-7795. (-27-3/2)

**RIVER FOREST FAMILY APARTMENTS** Hannah & Ballenger Street in Roscommon has one and two bedroom units available for immediate occupancy by eligible applicants. Rent based on income, heat included. Laundry and play areas on site. Applications available at office on site or call 1-800-225-7982. Managed by Stratford Group Ltd., 442 W. Baldwin, Alpena, MI. Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD #1-800-855-1155. (-13-20-27-3/2)

**RIVERVIEW SENIOR APARTMENTS** 306 Knights St. in Grayling has one bedroom units available for immediate occupancy by qualified applicants. Rent based on income. Community room and laundry area for residents use. Send this ad and your second month is FREE. Applications at office on site or by calling 1-800-225-7982. Managed by Stratford Group Ltd., 442 W. Baldwin, Alpena, MI. 49707. Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD #1-800-855-1155. (-13-20-27-3/2)

**TWO BEDROOM** mobile with garage, washer/dryer and appliances. \$450 plus deposit. No pets. 348-2418. (-27tygd/2)

**CUTE 2 BEDROOM HOUSE** for rent with appliances, big yard, nice location, \$450 a month with one year lease. I check references. Available November 1st, taking applications now. Call Kim at 348-5884. (-20-27sgf/2)

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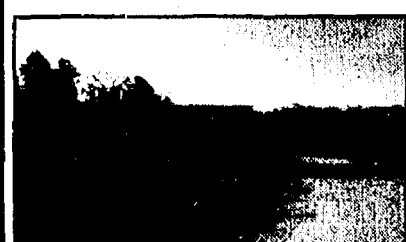


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**BANJO PICKER** will be playing at the Sawmill, November 1, 7-11 pm. (-27/7)

#### 8. Announcements

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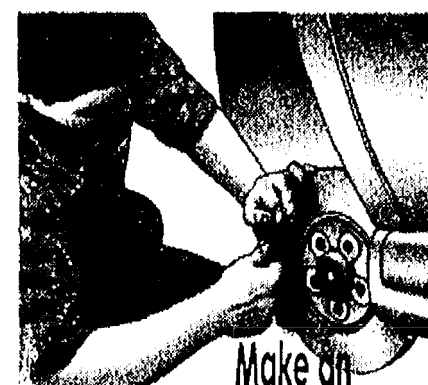
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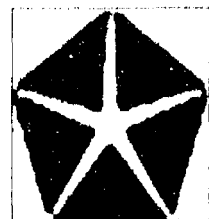
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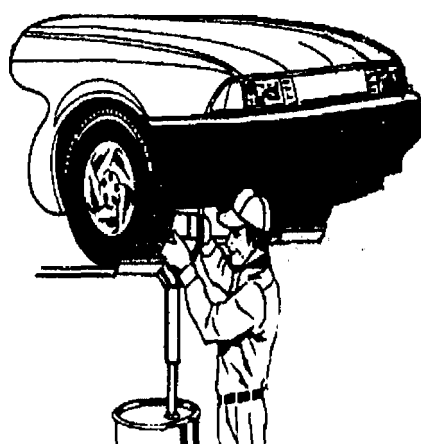


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# Lifestyle Changes, Medication Help Control Heart Failure

(ARA) - The number of people in the United States with heart failure is expected to double during the next few decades. More than half a million people will be diagnosed this year alone. That's in addition to the 4.8 million who already have the disease.

People with heart failure should know that they can lead relatively normal active lives. The key is early diagnosis and treatment. New treatments can be very effective in slowing and stopping the progression of the disease and in some cases can even reverse the process.

It's important that patients with heart failure learn how to take good care of themselves. By educating patients, those at risk and their families, the Heart Failure Society of America is committed to providing reliable and up-to-date information about heart failure.

*Heart failure is not a heart attack*

Heart failure does not mean the heart has stopped or is about to stop. It simply means that the heart is not pumping blood through the body as well as it should. When this happens the blood backs up in the blood vessels around the lungs and can cause seepage of fluid into the

lungs. This fluid causes congestion and makes it hard to breathe. Fluid can also back up in the legs and feet causing swelling.

*What causes heart failure?*

Some of the most common causes of heart failure are heart attack, history of hypertension (high blood pressure), an infection that attacks the heart muscle, and genetic abnormality.

*How common is heart failure?*

Heart failure is a serious condition that affects nearly 5 million Americans, with 550,000 new cases of heart failure being diagnosed each year in the United States. Heart failure is the only cardiovascular disease on the rise and is the most frequent cause of hospitalization in patients over 65 years of age. Although heart failure is most prevalent in individuals 65 or older, it is not limited to this age group. It does not discriminate between men and women, and affects all ethnic groups.

*What are the risk factors?*

Risk factors for heart failure include smoking, being overweight, high cholesterol, hypertension (high blood pressure), diabetes, problems with heart valves and family history. Sometimes the cause of heart failure is not known. Drinking

too much alcohol over a long period of time can also be a risk factor.

Individuals who have risk factors should make every effort to eliminate them when possible -- quit smoking, control blood pressure, lose weight, eat properly, exercise, drink in moderation, control blood sugar level when diabetes is present. If there is a family history, make sure you share this information with your health care provider.

*What are the symptoms?*

The most common symptoms of heart failure include: breathing difficulties (shortness of breath when walking stairs or simple activities; trouble breathing when resting or lying down; waking up breathless at night which is sometimes alleviated by sleeping on 2 to 3 pillows) feeling tired easily; and swelling of the feet, ankles, or legs.

If you suspect you are experiencing symptoms of heart failure make an appointment to see your health care provider. Seeking advice from a health care provider is important because symptoms of heart failure are often mistaken as signs of aging or other conditions.

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# Lifestyle Changes, Medication Help Control Heart Failure

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seeking medical help early may help prevent the syndrome from progressing. Starting treatment in the early stage of heart failure is important. Today there are a number of different medicines (ACE inhibitors, beta-blockers, Digoxin, Diuretics, ARBs, aldosterone antagonists) that have proven effective in relieving symptoms, improving quality of life and prolonging survival. In many cases it is possible to stop or even reverse the progression of disease. There are also devices, such as defibrillators and special kinds of

pacemakers, which help improve heart function and are available for use in conjunction with medical therapy. However the key is early diagnosis and treatment.

With new treatments the outlook for heart failure patients has improved considerably from the past. Many patients have resumed their normal activities, sometimes with little or no limitation. A satisfying quality of life is now much more obtainable than it was just ten years ago. Along with the improvement in quality of life, patients with heart failure are

living much longer than they have in the past.

*Know your risks and your options*

The Heart Failure Society of America provides easy to read and understand information for patients, their families and individuals at risk. Visit [www.abouthf.org](http://www.abouthf.org) for information. The modules discuss low salt diets, medications, self-care, exercise and activity, managing feelings about heart failure, tips for family and friends, heart rhythm problems and lifestyle changes.

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## Tips On Avoiding Medication Errors

(NUI) – People 65 and older are more likely than any other age group to take more than one medication, which can make it more difficult for them to follow a prescription regimen. But keeping track is essential: Drugs can do more harm than good when not taken appropriately.

The following tips from [Medsforless.com](http://Medsforless.com), an online Canadian pharmacy, aim to help seniors take their medications safely and appropriately.

- Keep your doctor informed. When incompatible medications mix in the body, they may produce dangerous side effects. Be sure to let your doctor know

about all of the prescription and over-the-counter medications you take. Keep an updated list of your medications and bring it with you when you go for a checkup.

- Read the directions. Each time you take a medication, make sure to read the label to ensure that you are taking the medicine as prescribed. For example, you might have to take a certain medication with food. Abide by the timing and dosage as directed. Use a memory aid, like a pillbox, if you have trouble remembering when to take a medication.

- Learn about your medications. Don't hesitate to speak

with your doctor or pharmacist about any questions or concerns you have about your medication. The inserts that come in some medication packages also can answer some of your questions. When taking the medication, monitor how it makes you feel and report any side effects to your doctor.

- Check your medicine cabinet annually. Inspect your medicine cabinet once a year and clear out any drugs that have expired or that you no longer use. When disposing of medication, flush the contents down the sink or toilet and throw away or recycle the empty containers.



## FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

### SYMPTOMS OF A STRESS FRACTURE

When muscles are overused or weakened by osteoporosis or other diseases, they may become unable to absorb the stress of weight-bearing and impact activities. The bones pick up the slack, and the excess stress often leads to stress fractures. These tiny cracks in the bones typically affect the second or third long bone between the toes (metatarsals) or the midfoot, but other foot and lower leg bones can be affected. Pain tends to develop gradually. It gets worse with activity and subsides with rest. Swelling on the top of the foot or on the out ankle may occur. The fracture site is often tender to the touch, and bruising may occur. Rest is the best remedy for stress fractures.

Your feet take a tremendous pounding on a daily basis. Walking on

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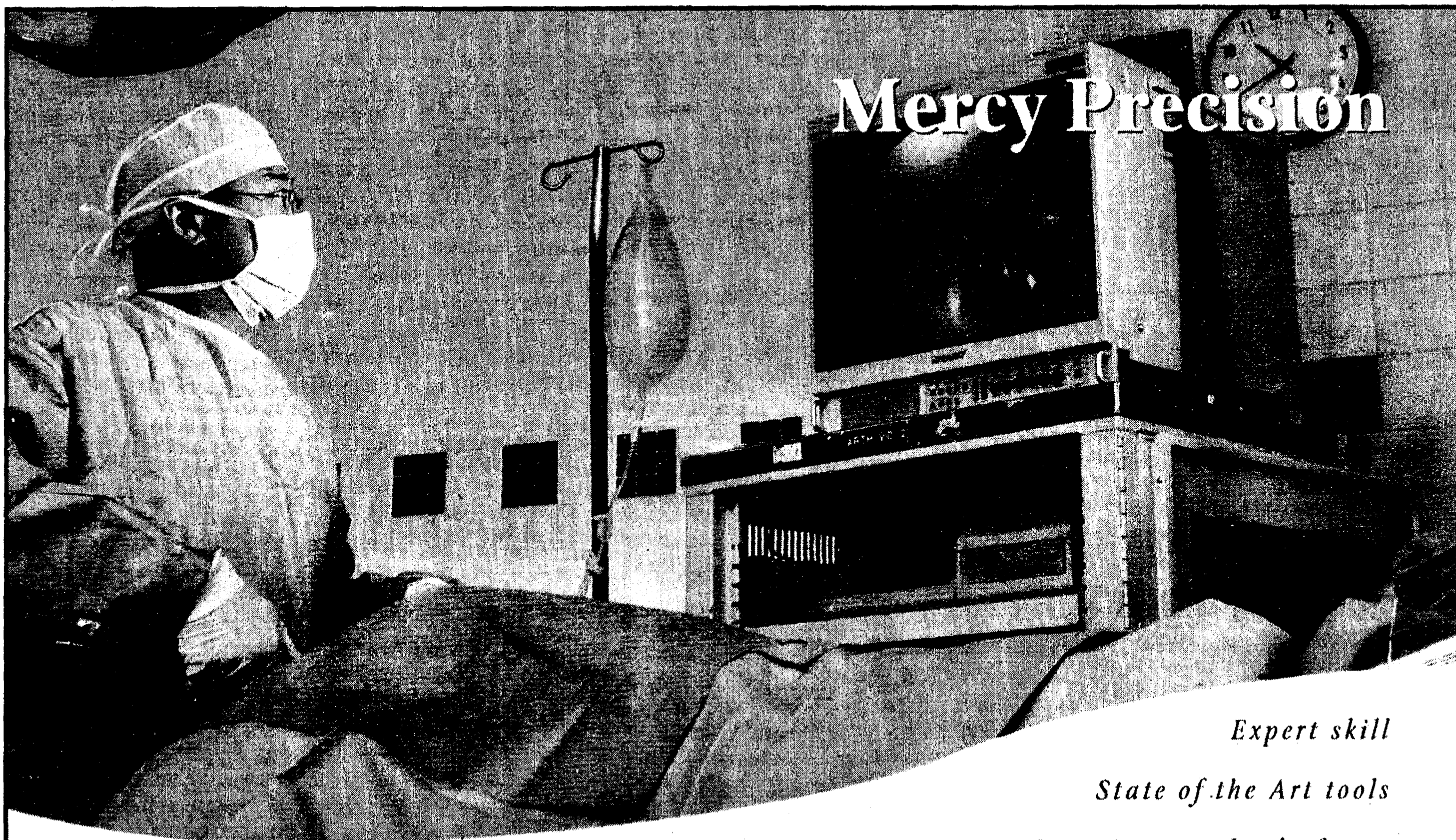
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## For Aging Adults, Depression Does Not Need to Be Part of the Picture

(ARA) — Depression does not go hand in hand with aging. In fact, older adults who are able to stay engaged in day-to-day living and find simple joys to fill their days can go a long way toward avoiding the debilitating effects of depression.

As Dr. Kathie Bates, associate professor of psychology at Argosy University/Tampa explains, "Positive activities and experiences for older adults should be a part of each day, and they can be as simple as enjoying watching birds outside the window, to more effortful pastimes such as finishing a craft or household project." The key, says Bates, is to accomplish small tasks successfully and put aside more difficult ones until they no longer seem so challenging.

The best way to find out what makes an older adult happy is to be a good listener. "Listening to the person's concerns and providing support rather than advice or ultimatums generally has a more positive influence," she says.

According to Bates, listening includes identifying what an older adult is concerned about as well as what they would like to be doing to feel better, rather than imposing a family member's ideas and values on the person. For example, an individual who has led a rather solitary life is more likely to respond to an offer to pick up a book on tape for them from the library than an offer to take them to a senior center for bingo.

As adults age, they experience

a loss of roles (for example, being the Mom or Dad), loved ones and sometimes physical capabilities, and with these losses there is often understandable sadness. But, says Dr. Lynn Horne-Moyer, director of clinical training and associate professor at Argosy University/Atlanta, "most older adults adjust to these difficulties relatively quickly."

When older adults do become depressed, they often express it differently than younger adults. They may complain of fatigue or lack of interest in usual activities rather than displaying tearfulness or crying. For these reasons, depression is often under-diagnosed because its symptoms can overlap with those of other illnesses that become more common in late life.

The most common signs of more serious depression, according to Horne-Moyer, are sadness, irritability, hopelessness, worthlessness, dropping activities, pessimism or a preoccupation with death. All of these, she explains, should be treated very seriously and aggressively, with a mental health professional contacted immediately.

Unfortunately, many older adults feel that there is a stigma attached to seeking help — even through support groups. According to Bates, mental health services designed solely for older adults are rare, which may further discourage them from seeking help. For mild levels of depression, psychotherapy, support groups, or both together, can help in avoiding the need for medication. Once the depression symptoms reach a severe level medication is often needed.

There is some research to suggest, Bates adds, that the way in which older adults cope with the challenges of aging may be best

predictor of how susceptible they will be to depression. Individuals who stay flexible and adapt to their changing needs fare better. In fact, positive planning for retirement, which includes activities and interests to focus on, as well as staying an active and involved member of the community, can be very beneficial to healthy aging.

With the right support systems in place, most older adults can find considerable joy and satisfaction in this new stage of life. Here are several expert recommendations for helping older adults live happier, healthier lives:

- Family connections are most important for most adults, including a spouse, and children and siblings. Extended family plays a more vital role in minority families, with more help provided by elders and for elders within the family.

- Physical activity/exercise has been shown to be helpful in combating depression for those who are able to do so. A medical doctor should always be consulted before beginning any exercise program.

- Avoid excessive TV viewing.
- Local area agencies on aging are a good source of information for older adults and their families. They can provide lists of resources available for at-home care, food delivery and companionship. In addition there are local senior centers, hospitals and wellness centers.

- Private case management services offered by social workers in many communities, and counselors and therapists may be located through state psychological associations, counselor associations and associations of social workers.

(Courtesy of ARA Content)

## Three Keys to Help Ease Joint Pain

(NUI) — Back in the late 1990s, more than 40 million Americans suffered from arthritis — the painful, often debilitating disease that can affect every joint in the body.

As baby boomers age and the elderly are living longer, the number of people who have arthritis is rising.

Today, a recent study by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention notes an alarming increase. In just over five years, the study states that 70 million Americans (or one in three peo-

ple) wake up with joint pain radiating from their back, knees, knuckles or elbows.

Although arthritis knows no gender or age group, older individuals seem to be prime candidates for the disease for reasons ranging from loss of bone density or bone mass to lack of flexibility.

In addition, there is a misperception among the older generation that exercising will aggravate already aching joints. On the contrary, remaining active,

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## Gardening Can Help Treat Pain of Osteoarthritis

(NUI) – Gardening can be a rewarding experience for people of all ages and a life-long passion to many. However, for Americans who suffer from osteoarthritis, tending to plants and perennials during their golden years may be difficult and painful. According to the Arthritis Foundation\*, there are some simple modifications that can help keep your garden growing with ease.

- First, create a garden that helps you. Before you even get started, arrange your garden in a way that makes your tasks easier and conserves your energy. For example, make sure your garden has a nearby water source so you don't have to carry watering cans or hoses and keep tools and storage close.

- Choose your plants wisely. Don't be afraid to ask about plants that require little care, such as ones that don't need regular pruning or maintenance. Plant shrubs or perennials that bloom every year so you don't have to replant each time.

- Set your posture clock. Maintain good posture at all times. Switch tasks every thirty minutes or so and take fifteen-minute breaks every hour to ease tension and reduce stiffness. And stretch before you begin to get your body ready for activity and help prevent injuries.

- Bend, pinch and cut correctly. If you have to work close to the ground, place only one knee on the ground and keep your back straight, or use a stool.

- Update your tools. The equipment you use can make a

big difference. Wear a carpenter's apron with several pockets to hold tools. Keep pruners sharp to make cutting easier. Use hoes or rakes that have long handles to avoid bending or stooping. Widen tool handles with foam tubing or grip tape to make them easier to grasp.

But if you do suffer from pain after over-doing it in the garden, David Baras, M.D., of the Department of Family Medicine at the University of South Florida School of Medicine has tips to reduce the soreness and pain.

- Listen to your body. Pain as a result of gardening often sets in hours after weeding the flower beds. Don't try to do the entire garden project in one day, especially if it is a large one. Break it up into several small parts and over several days.

- Treat the pain. For his patients whose osteoarthritis pain is exacerbated by stressful joint activities like gardening, Baras recommends an over-the-counter pain reliever. Baras encourages people to talk to their doctor about which pain reliever is right for them.

- Soak and stretch. If you have sore muscles, try soaking in a warm bath to help soothe your joints. Stretch before and after activity to help maintain flexibility and range of motion.

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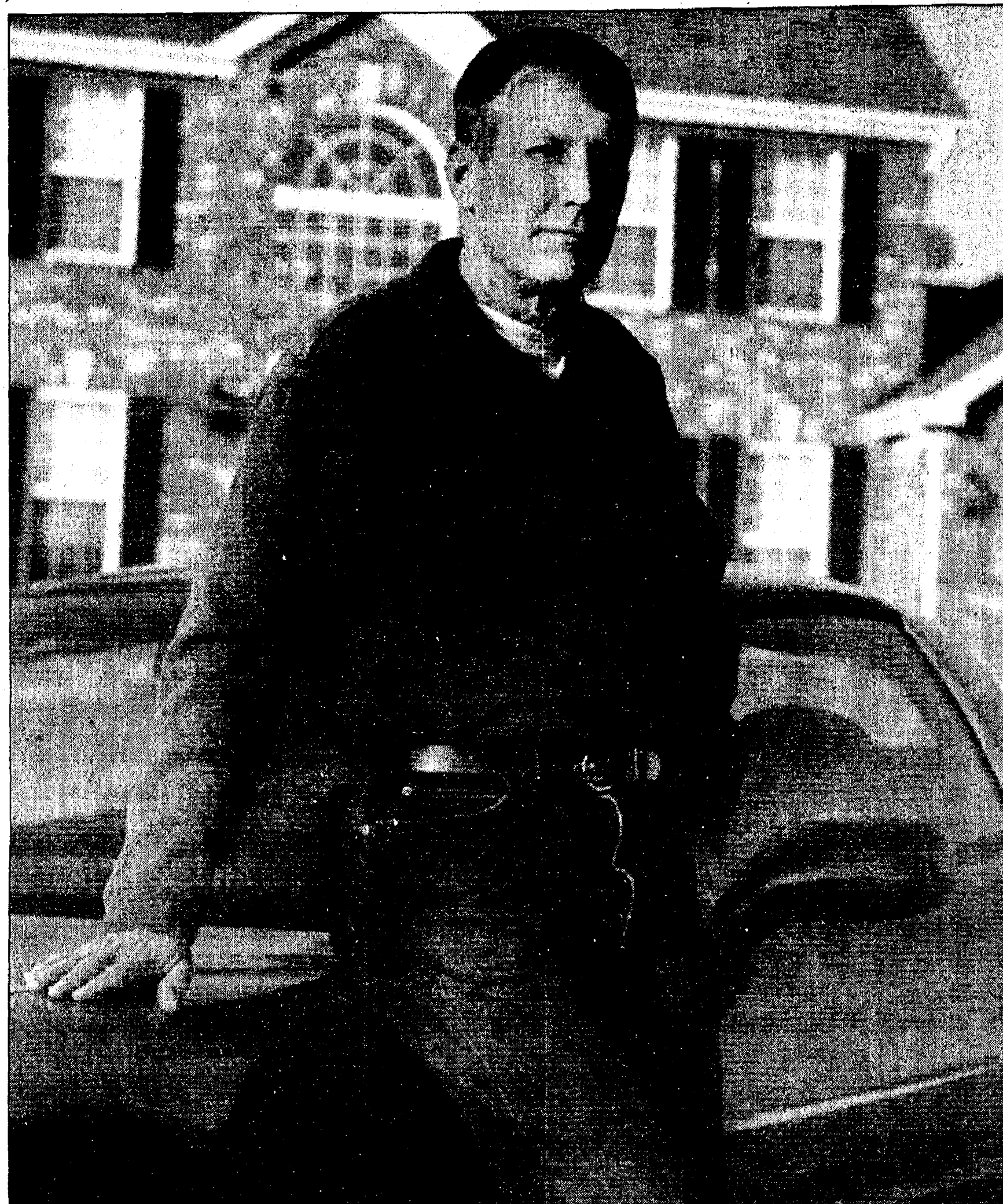


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A computer-based tool developed by AAA can help seniors stay safe on the road.

## New Tool Helps Seniors Play It Safe Behind the Wheel

(NUI) – Americans are living longer than before. If you're over 65, you are part of the fastest-growing population in the U.S., thanks to today's advanced medicine and healthier, active lifestyles.

If seniors can be found swimming, jogging and golfing, then who's to say when they become too old to get behind the wheel?

By 2020, there will be more than 40 million licensed drivers age 65 and older, according to AAA. Although they are more likely to wear their seatbelts, less likely to drink and drive, and less likely to speed, senior drivers are more likely to be seriously injured in a car crash.

Seniors have the second-highest crash death rate per mile next to teenagers, and are at the highest risk for intersection crashes. They also are more likely to injure themselves than others in a crash.

In a recent AAA survey of more than 1,000 seniors, nearly 90 percent said they drive themselves to get around on a daily basis. And next to financial security and the cost of health care, seniors are most concerned about their ability to get around

in the future.

This concern, and the apprehension many families share over whether older loved ones should drive, has prompted AAA to make efforts to help seniors improve driver safety.

The automobile association has developed "Roadwise Review: A Tool to Help Seniors Drive Safely Longer," a computer-based screening tool that enables older drivers to test their cognitive, physical and visual abilities in the privacy of their own homes.

The tool helps identify physiological changes that could affect driving and problem areas correlated with crash risk. For instance, it tests flexibility, the ability to see in low light and to scan across a field of view, all functional abilities critical for safe driving. "Roadwise Review" also offers practical suggestions for improvement.

The measures in AAA Roadwise Review were scientifically validated in a study of crash risk in nearly 1,000 seniors.

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# Smart Moves for Retirement Readiness

(NUI) — With health care costs continuing to increase, the future of Social Security unclear and pension plans available to fewer and fewer workers, America's retirement readiness is a major concern for both individuals and the nation as a whole.

Since June 2004, Fidelity Investments has completed about 200,000 income plans for retirees and pre-retirees who faced the daunting task of gauging their preparedness for retirement. Fidelity learned that some simple, yet often ignored, investment strategies can help ensure a more comfortable retirement. Here are some basic strategies to consider.

- Make it work while you're still working. Investors in their peak earning years should take full advantage of employer-sponsored retirement plans, individual retirement accounts and deferred annuities.

Asset allocation should be

age appropriate and investors should avoid two common retirement savings mistakes: being overly cautious or taking excessive risks when deciding how much of their assets to invest in cash, stocks or bonds. Remember, though, that this does not ensure a profit or protect against a loss.

Individuals also may want to take into account simple trade-offs that can reduce expenses and increase savings, such as holding on to the family car a few extra years once it has been paid off.

- Make it last as long as you do. Once you reach retirement, stretching retirement savings to make it last is very important. Some investors are planning to work in retirement while others are postponing retirement to take advantage of added income and continued health care benefits.

Pre-retirees may want to consider putting their salaries into

income annuities, which some call "self-made pensions" because they provide guaranteed lifetime income.

Finally, given that Americans are living longer, and that market returns are unpredictable, smaller withdrawals in the early years of retirement could lead to greater long-term financial security.

- Make it count to live the lifestyle you want. Typically, investors who are able to achieve the retirement lifestyle they want have created a detailed, realistic budget for retirement living expenses. Investors should plan for rising health care costs and other financial contingencies. To help stay on track, individuals and their spouses should review their plans annually, including expenses, investments and asset allocation.

Creating a successful retirement takes more than a one-step solution. Whether it's finding a "fun" part-time job, eliminating one of the family cars or taking a vacation locally, retirees have implemented multiple strategies to extend their incomes, control their spending and maximize their savings.

## Vision Loss: Next Challenge for Boomers

(NUI) — It's the leading cause of legal blindness in people over 50 — age-related macular degeneration (AMD). The disease can progress in just a few months, and can render people functionally blind within two years. But AMD may be treatable, if detected early.

While the overall prevalence of AMD is low among those under age 40, it rises dramatically with age — putting baby boomers at greater risk, and underscoring the need for regular eye examinations.

According to a recent study by the Eye Diseases Prevalence Research Group, the prevalence of AMD will increase by 50 percent by the year 2020.

"Daily activities boomers take for granted — reading, driving, playing sports — are no longer an option for people with AMD," said Dr. Bruce P. Rosenthal, chief of Low Vision Programs at Lighthouse International, a non-profit organization and leading resource worldwide on vision impairment and vision rehabilitation. "And for baby boomers in the workforce, the disease can be particularly devastating because it disrupts their liveli-

hood and lifestyle."

An eye exam is the first step in detecting and treating AMD. However, research also shows it may be possible to prevent or delay the development of AMD by taking simple, healthy measures such as eating foods rich in antioxidants, wearing sunglasses and quitting smoking.

Neovascular or "wet" AMD is the more sight-threatening form of AMD, responsible for most of the severe vision loss associated with the condition. It is characterized by the growth of abnormal blood vessels that leak fluid and blood into the tissue at the back of the eye, damaging the retina and creating scar tissue and a large blind spot.

"As we age, the quality of our vision diminishes naturally, but vision loss is another matter," said Rosenthal. "Patients need to understand that vision loss is not a normal part of aging, and see their doctor before it's too late."

For more information on AMD and its treatments or to locate an eye doctor specializing in low vision, call Lighthouse International's toll-free number, 1-800-829-0500.

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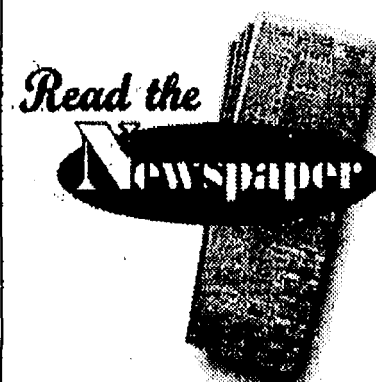
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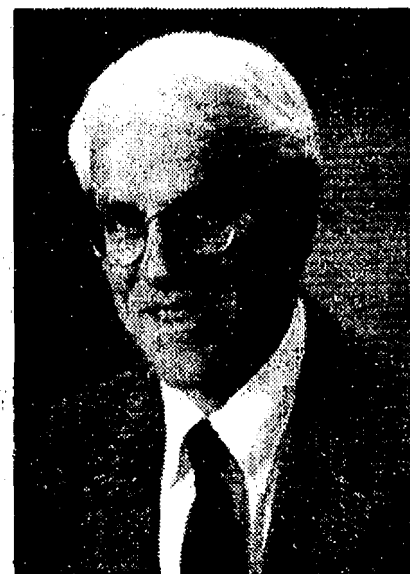


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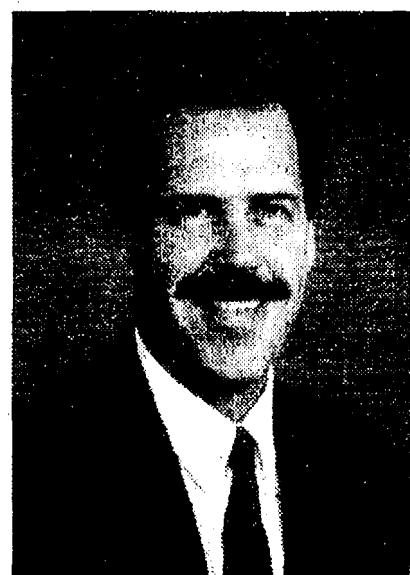
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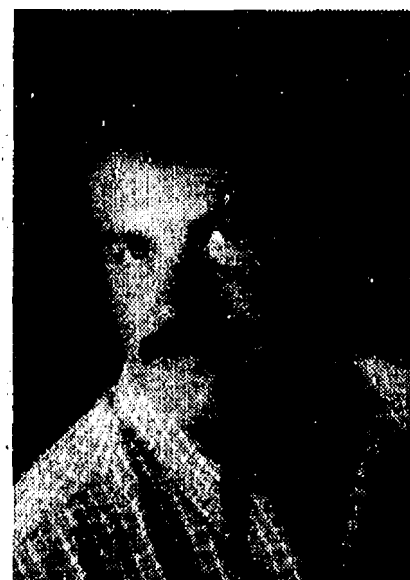
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## Four Tips to Retire With a Healthy, Active Lifestyle

(NUI) - Being a senior citizen does not mean you can't be as active as you once were. Age slows down only those who are slow in making the right choices.

With some precautions and a healthy lifestyle, your retirement years can be filled with fun, romance and adventure. While you're planning activities to keep you busy, remember that taking care of your health is the all-important first step to maintaining an active lifestyle.

Here are a few tips to keep in mind for a healthier life:

- Be a positive thinker. Maintaining a positive attitude - and a sense of humor - is believed to make a difference in

your overall health and well-being.

- Exercise regularly. For starters, try walking, water aerobics or yoga. Be sure to consult your doctor before starting a new exercise regimen.

- Don't skip meals, especially breakfast. Add fiber to your daily diet and drink plenty of fluids. Limit consumption of foods high in sugar, salt, saturated fat and calories.

- Ask your pharmacist about multivitamins especially formulated for people age 55 and older. For those who don't like to or can't take pills, consider supplements available in liquid form.

### Three Keys to Help Ease Joint Pain

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especially for seniors, is one of the most important things that can be done to prevent or, at the very least, manage the pain associated with arthritis.

So whether you are interested in minimizing the effects of the disease or simply reducing your risk, use these tips as a basic guideline:

- Maintain an appropriate weight. Extra pounds add unnecessary strain to the joints, so it is important to find out what weight

is right for you.

- Exercise to maintain fitness and flexibility. Remaining active - whether that means keeping your Sunday golf date or simply rooting around in your garden - is key to limiting the impact that arthritis can have over your life.

- Seek early diagnosis. Consulting your doctor whenever you experience joint pain is essential to preventing joint damage and ensuring that you can continue with an active life.